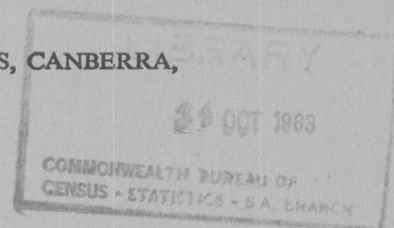


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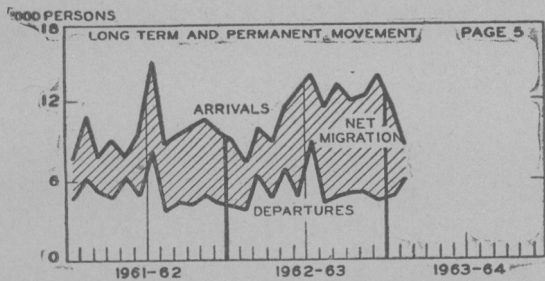
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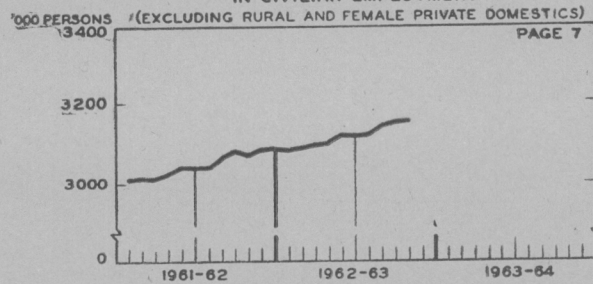
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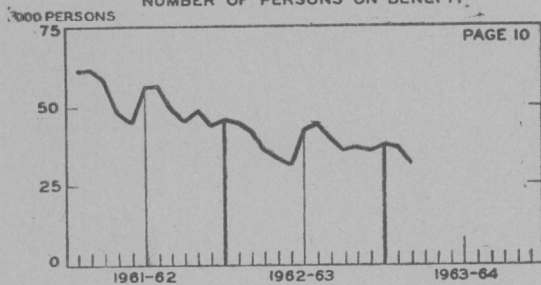
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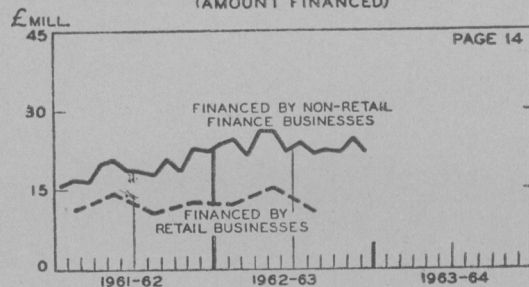
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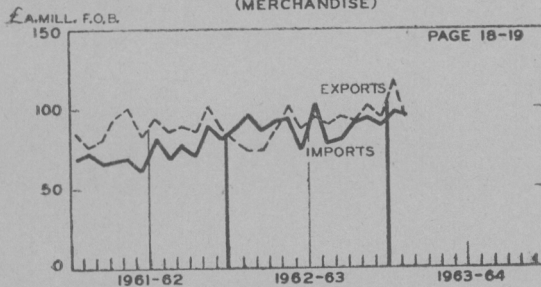
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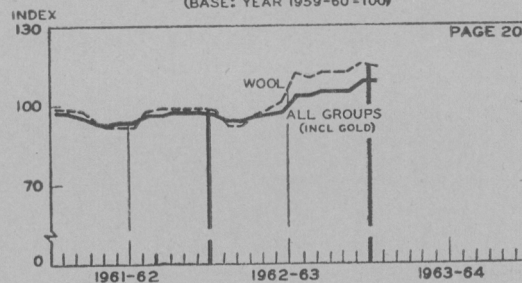
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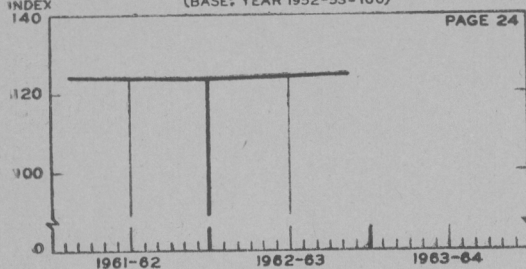
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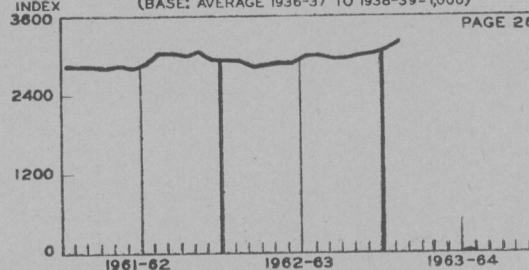




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# INDICATORS OF BUSINESS ACTIVITY

Period.	Wage and Salary Earners in Civilian Employment (excl. Rural and Female Private Domestics). <sup>(a)</sup>		Number of Persons on Unemployment Benefit.	Average Weekly Earnings <sup>(d)</sup> Index (Base: 1953-54=100).	Internal Trade—Retail Sales. <sup>(e)</sup>	Overseas Trade (Merchandise only—Values f.o.b. port of Shipment).		International Reserves. <sup>(f)</sup>	Building Approvals. <sup>(g)</sup>	New Houses and Flats Commenced. <sup>(h)</sup>
	Employed in Factories. <sup>(b)</sup>	Total Civilian Employment. <sup>(c)</sup>				Imports.	Exports.			
	'000	'000.			£m.	£m.	£m.	£m.	£m.	No.
<b>Monthly Average—</b>								(i)		
1953-54 ..	948	2,661	13,232	100.0	426.7	56.5	67.7	570.7	27.0	19,219
1954-55 ..	989	2,758	3,690	105.4	465.7	70.1	63.2	428.3	33.3	19,309
1955-56 ..	1,019	2,836	4,014	112.2	498.6	68.2	64.2	355.0	36.1	18,155
1956-57 ..	1,021	2,861	12,666	118.2	521.7	59.7	81.1	566.5	32.8	17,364
1957-58 ..	1,033	2,880	23,900	121.3	544.6	65.8	67.5	525.4	37.1	18,337
1958-59 ..	1,046	2,917	27,311	124.5	564.7	66.2	67.2	516.4	41.3	20,422
1959-60 ..	1,088	3,000	20,706	133.6	618.7	77.1	77.2	512.0	50.3	22,836
1960-61 ..	1,103	3,064	23,038	140.5	647.4	90.4	77.3	550.8	50.2	22,222
1961-62 ..	1,080	3,052	52,265	144.7	658.1	73.5	89.1	561.2	48.8	20,617
1962-63 ..			38,935		679.1	89.9	89.2	626.1	54.8	22,067
<b>Monthly Total—</b>										
1961-62—	(j)		(k)			p	p	(i)		
July ..	1,053	3,014	61,499	141.8	207.9	69.8	85.9	574.6	43.7	21,547
August ..	1,057	3,016	62,066		210.4	73.0	77.1	571.1	54.6	
September ..	1,055	3,013	59,561		215.7	66.9	81.2	573.4	53.2	
October ..	1,070	3,027	48,531	144.7	215.2	68.7	95.6	578.0	49.7	19,172
November ..	1,077	3,047	45,545		223.6	70.0	100.9	587.0	54.2	
December ..	1,072	3,044	56,756		282.5	61.9	83.0	601.7	40.0	
January ..	1,080	3,044	57,105	145.4	210.7	82.0	95.0	596.1	38.6	20,348
February ..	1,095	3,072	50,112		197.8	69.2	85.9	607.7	44.8	
March ..	1,102	3,089	45,870		212.6	77.6	89.2	537.6	53.9	
April ..	1,094	3,077	49,136	147.0	208.9	71.1	86.3	550.3	49.5	21,403
May ..	1,101	3,090	44,668		232.3	90.8	100.9	565.5	55.6	
June ..	1,104	3,092	46,324		214.7	81.7	87.1	561.2	48.0	
1962-63—										
July ..	1,104	3,089	45,453	146.2	212.2	89.1	79.7	574.9	62.5	22,902
August ..	1,109	3,093	42,647		221.8	97.4	73.5	565.8	55.8	
September ..	1,113	3,101	36,851		214.7	87.5	73.9	560.5	56.4	
October ..	1,118	3,108	33,796	147.3	227.3	93.4	86.0	570.9	58.7	21,769
November ..	1,121	3,124	31,833		239.8	95.1	102.2	585.7	54.6	
December ..	1,115	3,122	43,153		285.5	74.7	87.0	586.1	40.3	
January ..	1,120	3,126	45,009	149.6	219.9	103.4	95.0	587.4	50.7	20,8
February ..	1,129	3,148	40,272		204.7	78.6	90.5	597.5	46.7	
March ..	1,134	3,157	36,394		r215.5	80.9	95.7	590.8	52.4	
April ..	1,127	3,157	37,142	r220.3	r220.3	92.3	91.5	612.2	57.5	r22,749
May ..			36,479		r239.1	95.8	101.4	615.2	64.8	
June ..			38,188		r216.9	90.6	93.6	626.1	57.4	
1963-64—										
July ..			37,146		225.8	99.7	117.2	634.2	60.1	
August ..			31,869		229.7	96.4	95.4	645.0	67.1	

(a) Excludes Defence Forces at home or abroad and National Service trainees in camp. See also note (a), p. 7. (b) See note (a) on p. 9. (c) Subject to revision. See note (a), p. 7. (d) All industries: seasonally adjusted. Average earnings per employed male unit. See note (d) on p. 30. The figures are subject to revision. (e) Quarterly average sales for years and quarterly and monthly total sales. Excludes the Australian Capital Territory and Northern Territory. Excludes Motor Vehicles, Parts, Petrol, etc. (f) Source: Reserve Bank. See Reserve Bank Statistical Bulletin, Financial Supplement, Sept., 1960, for a description of this series. (g) Includes permits issued by local government authorities and contracts let, work commenced and day labour projects authorized by government authorities. (h) Includes owner-built houses. Quarterly averages for years and quarterly totals. From September quarter, 1954, includes the Northern Territory. (i) Annual and December figures as at end of period; other figures last Wednesday of month. (j) At end of month. (k) Last Saturday of month.

# INDICATORS OF BUSINESS ACTIVITY—continued

Period.	Wool Prices Index, Sydney. (a)	Production of Black Coal.	Total Electricity Generated.	Production of Ingot Steel (b)	New Motor Vehicles Registered (excluding Defence Service Vehicles).		P.M.G.'s Department Cash Receipts.	Commonwealth and Private Trading Banks (Major Trading Banks).		Bank Debts to Customers' Accounts (Weekly Averages).
					Motor Cars and Station Wagons. (c)	Other Motor Vehicles. (d)		Deposits.	Advances.	
	Pence per lb.	'000 tons.	Million kWh.	'000 tons. (e)	'000.	'000.	£'000.	£m.	£m.	£m.
<b>Monthly Average—</b>										
1953-54 ..	81.1	1,619	1,142	176.4	10.3	4.7	5,650	1,431.7	727.7	447.0
1954-55 ..	70.1	1,613	1,267	184.1	13.6	5.6	6,069	1,485.1	865.9	492.1
1955-56 ..	60.7	1,586	1,390	193.4	13.5	5.6	6,612	1,477.3	908.3	522.0
1956-57 ..	77.9	1,643	1,524	231.2	12.3	4.8	7,519	1,512.6	869.1	563.3
1957-58 ..	62.1	1,697	1,650	253.1	13.8	5.1	8,065	1,596.4	882.1	592.7
1958-59 ..	47.5	1,705	1,767	267.0	14.7	5.5	8,622	1,603.1	929.5	637.4
1959-60 ..	56.3	1,769	1,933	293.3	18.7	5.8	10,136	1,707.6	952.0	747.4
1960-61 ..	51.5	1,912	2,068	312.3	18.6	4.9	11,347	1,728.7	1,050.0	803.8
1961-62 ..	54.1	2,036	2,204	339.6	18.0	4.3	11,651	1,806.6	1,002.2	823.6
1962-63 ..	58.4	2,025	2,434	355.5	23.7	5.0	12,557	1,905.4	1,060.5	908.2
<b>Monthly Total—</b>										
1961-62—		p	p	p						
July ..	56.0	2,232	2,408	351.7	13.6	3.8	10,477	1,701.0	1,034.9	820.1
August ..	56.0	2,378	2,388	338.0	16.1	3.9	11,776	1,710.6	1,014.6	729.7
September ..	55.0	2,171	2,156	339.2	15.7	3.8	11,159	1,728.3	1,000.8	789.0
October ..	53.0	2,305	2,132	337.6	17.8	4.4	11,876	1,765.5	1,007.2	833.2
November ..	52.0	2,292	2,094	311.4	18.4	4.4	11,516	1,790.4	999.0	815.6
December ..	52.0	1,646	2,002	347.7	16.6	4.0	11,364	1,823.8	991.7	881.5
January ..	52.0	1,223	2,017	338.6	15.8	3.8	11,506	1,856.9	976.2	748.2
February ..	55.0	2,082	1,986	308.2	18.0	4.2	11,650	1,886.7	965.2	856.0
March ..	56.0	2,269	2,195	346.2	21.2	5.1	12,633	1,895.3	971.9	834.3
April ..	56.0	1,536	2,109	354.3	17.7	4.4	10,484	1,883.2	1,008.8	829.9
May ..	56.0	2,184	2,515	358.9	21.9	5.5	12,634	1,842.8	1,022.0	896.1
June ..	56.0	2,115	2,448	327.7	23.1	4.9	12,739	1,824.2	1,031.4	875.3
1962-63—		r	r	r						
July ..	55.0	2,323	2,629	358.8	23.7	5.2	11,741	1,822.8	1,060.9	931.2
August ..	52.0	2,395	2,647	353.9	25.6	4.9	12,351	1,822.3	1,052.1	818.9
September ..	52.0	2,059	2,339	340.7	23.3	4.2	10,754	1,826.6	1,046.6	870.6
October ..	54.0	2,413	2,435	361.6	26.5	5.1	13,720	1,866.5	1,051.8	912.5
November ..	55.0	2,326	2,298	364.9	27.1	5.1	12,547	1,875.1	1,054.1	885.0
December ..	57.0	1,557	2,198	354.7	22.8	4.1	12,170	1,915.7	1,052.1	952.3
January ..	63.0	1,364	2,194	361.2	21.9	3.8	13,143	1,951.1	1,044.6	850.2
February ..	62.0	1,976	2,158	331.4	22.4	4.3	11,797	1,976.4	1,040.7	949.0
March ..	63.0	2,018	2,397	363.2	23.6	6.1	12,324	1,985.2	1,048.1	931.3
April ..	63.0	1,530	2,396	368.9	21.6	5.6	12,385	1,967.5	1,082.0	960.6
May ..	63.0	2,304	2,727	378.7	24.3	6.4	13,760	1,931.9	1,091.2	911.9
June ..	65.0	2,034	2,791	352.5	22.0	5.3	13,997	1,923.4	1,101.2	959.7
1963-64—										
July ..	64.0	2,545	3,012	400.6	29.7	6.2	13,954	1,937.5	1,108.2	1,027.4
August ..	62.0	2,228	2,858	425.7	27.9	5.5	13,366	1,931.7	1,103.6	901.7

(a) Average price which a New South Wales clip of constant average quality would realize if sold at the level of prices obtaining in the specified month. Annual prices are averages of monthly prices weighted by quantity of greasy wool sold in month in New South Wales. (b) Includes recovery from scrap. (c) Includes ambulances and hearses prior to 1955-56. (d) Excludes motor cycles; includes ambulances and hearses subsequent to 1954-55. (e) Monthly averages for twelve-months ended May.



## POPULATION AND VITAL STATISTICS: AUSTRALIA

Period.	Marriages.	Births.	Deaths.	Natural Increase.(a)	Net Oversea Migration.(b)	Total Increase. (c)	Population at end of Period.
<b>Quarterly Average—</b>							
1953-54 .. ..	17,827	50,400	20,390	30,010	13,263	42,792	d8,986,530
1954-55 .. ..	17,848	51,213	20,541	30,672	22,868	53,300	9,199,729
1955-56 .. ..	18,169	52,719	20,712	32,007	24,710	56,458	9,425,563
1956-57 .. ..	18,111	53,753	21,467	32,286	21,594	53,644	9,640,138
1957-58 .. ..	18,511	55,265	21,150	34,115	16,650	50,549	9,842,333
1958-59 .. ..	18,458	56,495	22,013	34,482	19,289	53,537	10,056,479
1959-60 .. ..	18,859	57,157	22,056	35,101	19,779	54,635	10,275,020
1960-61 .. ..	19,091	59,459	22,199	37,260	21,297	58,292	d10,508,186
1961-62 .. ..	19,393	59,611	22,480	37,131	12,103	49,234	10,705,121
1962-63 .. ..	20,235	58,660	23,305	35,355	17,431	58,786	10,916,265
<b>Quarterly Total—</b>							
<b>1960-61—</b>							
March Qtr. ..	19,940	61,118	20,331	40,787	22,527	63,025	10,454,945
June „ ..	20,042	61,214	21,983	39,231	14,258	53,241	d10,508,186
<b>1961-62—</b>							
September „ ..	16,063	60,316	26,001	34,315	9,770	44,085	10,552,271
December „ ..	20,641	57,338	20,646	36,692	14,968	51,660	10,603,931
March „ ..	20,509	60,529	20,427	40,102	16,717	56,819	10,660,750
June „ ..	20,359	60,263	22,847	37,416	6,955	44,371	10,705,121
<b>1962-63—</b>							
September „ ..	17,360	58,675	27,339	31,336	16,204	47,540	10,752,661
December „ ..	20,952	57,614	22,550	35,064	22,646	57,710	10,810,371
March „ ..	21,689	60,099	20,616	39,483	19,621	59,104	10,869,475
June „ ..	20,939	58,253	22,716	35,537	11,253	46,790	10,916,265

(a) Excess of births over deaths. (b) Excess of arrivals over departures. (c) Includes natural increase, net overseas migration and up to June, 1961, adjustments of population on the basis of Census results. (d) Census, 30th June.

## POPULATION: STATES

NOTE.—The estimated populations since 30th June, 1961, for each State represent the population ascertained from the results of the Census at that date plus natural increase and recorded net migration into each State. As complete records of interstate migration are not available, the estimated State populations since 30th June, 1961, are approximate and are subject to revision when the actual population of each State is ascertained at the next Census. For some States such revisions, in the past, were substantial.

Date.	New South Wales.	Victoria.	Queensland.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Northern Territory.	Australian Capital Territory.	Australia.
<b>30th June—</b>									
1953 ..	3,383,792	2,395,254	1,291,410	775,781	620,547	304,080	15,853	28,645	8,815,362
1954(a) ..	3,423,529	2,452,341	1,318,259	797,094	639,771	308,752	16,469	30,315	8,986,530
1955 ..	3,490,749	2,517,229	1,350,017	819,567	657,115	314,092	18,210	32,750	9,199,729
1956 ..	3,554,257	2,593,468	1,381,591	848,557	674,529	318,470	19,556	35,135	9,425,563
1957 ..	3,624,969	2,656,257	1,413,085	873,166	687,605	326,130	21,061	37,865	9,640,138
1958 ..	3,691,954	2,718,482	1,439,199	896,803	699,565	333,066	22,097	41,167	9,842,333
1959 ..	3,759,834	2,785,905	1,468,237	920,898	712,070	339,376	24,089	46,070	10,056,479
1960 ..	3,832,453	2,857,389	1,495,927	945,320	722,080	343,910	25,573	52,368	10,275,020
1961(a) ..	3,917,013	2,930,113	1,518,828	969,340	736,629	350,340	27,095	58,828	10,508,186
1962(b) ..	3,976,736	2,991,471	1,542,629	989,389	754,477	356,937	27,790	65,692	10,705,121
1963(b)									10,916,265
<b>31st March—</b>									
1963(b) ..	4,037,519	3,041,680	1,554,541	1,004,448	768,193	364,215	27,734	71,145	10,869,475

(a) Census. (b) See NOTE above.

## OVERSEA ARRIVALS AND DEPARTURES

*Permanent movement*—persons arriving with stated intent to settle permanently in Australia, and residents departing with stated intent to reside permanently abroad.

*Long-term movement*—arrival of visitors and temporary departure of residents with stated intent to stay (in Australia or in a country abroad respectively) for twelve months or more, and the departure of visitors and return of residents who have stayed (in Australia or in a country abroad respectively) for twelve months or more.

*Short-term movement*—all other movement, including Australian troops irrespective of stay.

### ARRIVALS

Period.	Permanent Movement.	Long-term Movement.		Short-term Movement.		Total Arrivals.	Excess of Total Arrivals over Total Departures.
	Settlers Arriving.	Residents Returning.	Visitors Arriving.	Residents Returning.	Visitors Arriving.		
<b>Monthly Average—</b>							
1958-59 .. ..	(a)	(a)	(a)	4,999	5,361	20,085	6,430
1959-60 .. ..	8,824	1,337	979	5,527	6,332	22,999	6,593
1960-61 .. ..	9,024	1,406	1,110	6,821	7,731	26,092	7,099
1961-62 .. ..	7,150	1,608	1,119	7,661	8,515	26,053	4,034
1962-63 .. ..	8,491	1,781	1,164	8,395	9,970	29,801	5,811
<b>Monthly Total—</b>							
1962-63—August ..	5,247	1,419	839	6,618	8,491	22,614	4,307
September ..	7,379	1,788	942	9,676	8,904	28,689	6,431
October ..	6,046	2,086	1,088	10,248	10,698	30,166	8,918
November ..	8,110	2,196	1,296	9,604	12,363	33,569	8,248
December ..	8,712	2,745	1,220	8,093	12,922	33,692	5,480
January ..	10,034	2,046	1,839	11,834	10,618	36,371	4,653
February ..	7,862	1,959	1,776	8,532	11,142	31,271	9,034
March ..	10,319	1,653	1,258	7,737	11,046	32,013	5,934
April ..	9,396	1,570	1,008	7,192	9,753	28,919	1,914
May ..	10,103	1,253	911	7,505	9,343	29,115	2,542
June ..	11,344	1,572	937	7,424	7,859	29,136	6,797
1963-64—July r ..	9,087	1,578	840	7,483	8,413	27,401	7,282
August p ..	5,998	1,975	868	9,213	9,735	27,789	2,449

### DEPARTURES

Period	Permanent Movement.		Long-term Movement.		Short-term Movement.		Total Departures.
	Former Settlers Departing. <sup>b</sup>	Other Residents Departing.	Residents Departing.	Visitors Departing.	Residents Departing.	Visitors Departing.	
<b>Monthly Average—</b>							
1958-59 .. ..	(a)	(a)	(a)	(a)	4,933	5,481	13,655
1959-60 .. ..	525	538	2,061	653	6,113	6,516	16,406
1960-61 .. ..	494	458	2,379	985	6,847	7,830	18,993
1961-62 .. ..	770	597	2,781	1,049	7,840	8,982	22,019
1962-63 .. ..	725	574	2,860	1,102	8,532	10,197	23,990
<b>Monthly Total—</b>							
1962-63—August ..	548	383	2,292	607	6,355	8,122	18,307
September ..	1,122	740	3,232	1,402	6,982	8,780	22,258
October ..	714	617	2,289	1,236	6,410	9,982	21,248
November ..	1,031	617	3,158	1,444	7,796	11,275	25,321
December ..	807	571	2,166	1,267	11,671	11,730	28,212
January ..	1,207	875	5,295	1,631	9,472	13,238	31,718
February ..	524	491	2,335	951	7,586	10,350	22,237
March ..	581	518	2,798	866	10,145	11,171	26,079
April ..	701	479	2,972	918	10,781	11,154	27,005
May ..	447	528	3,220	907	10,475	10,996	26,573
June ..	522	615	2,442	962	8,816	8,982	22,339
1963-64—July r ..	639	534	2,705	890	6,998	8,353	20,119
August p ..	850	586	3,678	1,056	9,327	9,843	25,340

(a) Not available.

(b) Excludes persons who stated on departure that they had come to Australia to settle and had stayed for a period of less than twelve months.

# WAGE AND SALARY EARNERS IN CIVILIAN EMPLOYMENT(a)

(Excluding Wage Earners in Rural Industry, Female Private Domestics and Defence Forces.)(b)

('000.)

Month.	Civilian Employees in Main Industrial Groups.								Total Civilian Employees.		
	Mining and Quarrying.	Factories. (c)	Building and Construction.	Transport and Communication.	Retail Trade.	Wholesale Trade, etc.; Finance, Property.	Public Authority (n.e.i.); Community Services, etc.(d)	Amusement, Hotels, Personal Service.	Private Employers.	Government Authorities.(e)	Total.
MALES.											
1958—June ..	51.6	791.1	202.4	311.8	132.7	216.3	226.1	74.2	1,476.1	621.8	2,097.9
1959—June ..	49.1	805.6	205.2	312.6	133.6	221.5	233.2	73.7	1,493.7	633.9	2,127.6
1960—June ..	49.3	840.9	206.6	312.0	137.3	231.1	240.6	75.3	1,554.4	633.3	2,187.7
1961—June ..	48.6	810.3	205.3	316.4	135.3	235.7	250.0	75.5	1,522.8	649.9	2,172.7
1962—June ..	46.7	839.2	205.4	309.0	138.5	237.1	260.7	76.0	1,547.7	662.2	2,209.9
1961-62—Mar. ..	47.0	835.0	202.9	312.3	138.2	239.1	258.6	76.7	1,545.1	661.5	2,206.6
April ..	46.8	832.4	201.8	309.5	137.7	237.8	259.6	77.0	1,536.7	662.8	2,199.5
May ..	46.8	837.1	205.2	310.4	138.4	237.6	260.0	76.4	1,545.7	663.2	2,208.9
June ..	46.7	839.2	205.4	309.0	138.5	237.1	260.7	76.0	1,547.7	662.2	2,209.9
1962-63—July ..	46.7	840.2	203.3	309.6	138.0	235.8	260.8	75.9	1,546.8	660.9	2,207.7
Aug. ..	46.7	842.8	200.9	309.4	137.8	236.7	261.2	76.2	1,550.4	658.4	2,208.8
Sept. ..	46.5	845.0	200.2	309.7	138.1	238.0	261.2	77.6	1,556.1	657.1	2,213.2
Oct. ..	46.6	847.5	198.9	308.7	138.5	239.6	261.2	77.9	1,559.4	655.9	2,215.3
Nov. ..	46.7	849.3	197.6	309.9	141.2	241.5	261.9	78.7	1,566.2	657.0	2,223.2
Dec. ..	46.7	846.4	195.0	309.9	143.8	242.3	262.4	80.0	1,565.4	657.8	2,223.2
Jan. ..	46.8	850.3	196.3	311.3	139.9	243.4	264.2	79.8	1,568.6	660.7	2,229.3
Feb. ..	46.7	855.8	198.5	313.0	139.5	243.7	268.0	79.6	1,575.9	667.0	2,242.9
Mar. ..	46.2	858.4	200.7	312.7	139.4	244.0	269.2	79.6	1,578.4	670.0	2,248.4
April ..	46.2	857.0	202.3	313.5	139.0	243.6	269.8	79.7	1,576.6	672.8	2,249.4
FEMALES.											
1958—June ..	1.1	244.0	5.5	39.9	125.6	92.3	198.4	77.8	655.9	136.6	792.5
1959—June ..	1.1	248.9	5.6	40.3	126.5	95.3	209.9	77.3	669.1	143.9	813.0
1960—June ..	1.1	270.4	6.0	40.9	133.1	101.5	220.0	78.3	709.4	150.2	859.6
1961—June ..	1.2	245.1	6.3	41.5	133.5	104.3	230.9	76.8	690.6	157.6	848.2
1962—June ..	1.2	264.4	6.4	40.8	137.5	104.6	241.8	76.5	717.5	164.6	882.1
1961-62—Mar. ..	1.2	266.9	6.3	41.3	136.3	105.6	239.1	76.9	719.1	163.4	882.5
April ..	1.2	261.6	6.3	41.1	136.0	104.8	239.9	77.7	713.2	164.3	877.5
May ..	1.2	264.0	6.3	40.9	137.3	104.7	240.5	77.0	716.7	164.1	880.8
June ..	1.2	264.4	6.4	40.8	137.5	104.6	241.8	76.5	717.5	164.6	882.1
1962-63—July ..	1.2	264.2	6.4	40.5	136.5	104.3	243.6	76.1	716.4	165.3	881.7
Aug. ..	1.2	265.9	6.4	40.6	136.7	104.0	243.6	76.5	718.8	165.0	883.8
Sept. ..	1.2	267.7	6.4	40.6	137.7	104.0	243.8	77.9	723.4	164.7	888.1
Oct. ..	1.2	270.6	6.4	40.8	138.8	103.9	243.8	78.0	727.7	164.7	892.4
Nov. ..	1.2	271.4	6.4	40.9	144.2	104.7	244.1	78.6	735.6	164.8	900.4
Dec. ..	1.2	268.5	6.4	41.0	146.4	104.7	242.4	79.7	735.5	163.6	899.1
Jan. ..	1.2	269.2	6.5	41.3	141.4	106.2	242.8	79.1	731.6	165.2	896.8
Feb. ..	1.3	273.5	6.5	41.5	141.0	107.0	246.3	78.4	736.4	168.2	904.6
Mar. ..	1.3	275.9	6.5	41.6	140.8	107.3	248.2	78.4	739.5	169.5	909.0
April ..	1.3	270.4	6.5	41.7	142.0	107.0	249.7	79.5	736.7	170.4	907.1

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# WAGE AND SALARY EARNERS IN CIVILIAN EMPLOYMENT(a)—continued

(Excluding Wage Earners in Rural Industry, Female Private Domestic and Defence Forces.)(b)

('000.)

Month.	Civilian Employees in Main Industrial Groups.								Total Civilian Employees.		
	Mining and Quarrying.	Factories. (c)	Building and Construction.	Transport and Communication.	Retail Trade.	Wholesale Trade, etc.; Finance, Property.	Public Authority (n.e.i.); Community Services, etc.(d)	Amusement, Hotels, Personal Service.	Private Employers.	Government Authorities. (e)	Total.
PERSONS.											
1953—June ..	58.9	913.0	197.5	331.3	234.9	262.5	368.6	144.3	1,924.5	679.8	2,604.3
1954—June ..	59.7	970.0	210.4	336.6	243.7	275.3	374.1	146.0	2,014.1	695.9	2,710.0
1955—June ..	59.4	1,002.0	216.7	347.1	251.0	290.2	387.0	151.2	2,079.7	721.9	2,801.6
1956—June ..	58.5	1,020.5	219.7	350.5	253.0	300.8	401.5	152.1	2,120.9	734.7	2,855.6
1957—June ..	57.5	1,023.1	212.7	353.1	251.2	304.3	413.0	152.9	2,123.3	742.3	2,865.6
1958—June ..	52.7	1,035.1	207.9	351.7	258.3	308.6	424.5	152.0	2,132.0	758.4	2,890.4
1959—June ..	50.2	1,054.5	210.8	352.9	260.1	316.8	443.1	151.0	2,162.8	777.8	2,940.6
1960—June ..	50.4	1,111.3	212.6	352.9	270.4	332.6	460.6	153.6	2,263.8	783.5	3,047.3
1961—June ..	49.8	1,055.4	211.6	357.9	268.8	340.0	480.9	152.3	2,213.4	807.5	3,020.9
1962—June ..	47.9	1,103.6	211.8	349.8	276.0	341.7	502.5	152.5	2,265.2	826.8	3,092.0
1960-61—Mar. ..	50.2	1,093.4	212.9	357.7	274.0	345.1	474.8	155.4	2,270.6	797.3	3,067.9
April ..	49.8	1,080.0	212.2	358.5	271.3	343.5	476.8	154.5	2,250.0	800.8	3,050.8
May ..	50.0	1,068.2	213.0	358.1	271.0	341.6	478.8	153.6	2,233.4	805.1	3,038.5
June ..	49.8	1,055.4	211.6	357.9	268.8	340.0	480.9	152.3	2,213.4	807.5	3,020.9
1961-62—July ..	49.7	1,053.2	209.5	356.6	268.0	338.0	483.2	151.4	2,205.2	808.8	3,014.0
Aug. ..	49.5	1,056.7	208.2	355.4	268.0	338.4	483.9	152.0	2,207.2	809.2	3,016.4
Sept. ..	47.0	1,055.2	206.9	354.4	269.1	339.2	484.4	152.9	2,205.4	807.8	3,013.2
Oct. ..	46.0	1,069.8	204.9	352.7	271.4	339.9	485.4	152.5	2,219.2	807.6	3,026.8
Nov. ..	48.5	1,076.8	203.6	352.4	280.6	341.7	485.9	152.9	2,238.6	808.1	3,046.7
Dec. ..	48.5	1,072.4	201.7	351.9	284.0	341.1	484.2	155.6	2,237.4	806.3	3,043.7
Jan. ..	48.5	1,079.9	201.6	351.5	273.9	342.5	486.4	154.6	2,235.2	809.0	3,044.2
Feb. ..	48.4	1,094.5	205.2	352.9	272.7	344.4	494.2	153.9	2,252.8	819.3	3,072.1
Mar. ..	48.2	1,101.9	209.2	353.6	274.5	344.7	497.7	153.6	2,264.2	824.9	3,089.1
April ..	48.0	1,094.0	208.1	350.6	273.7	342.6	499.5	154.7	2,249.9	827.1	3,077.0
May ..	48.0	1,101.1	211.5	351.3	275.7	342.3	500.5	153.4	2,262.4	827.3	3,089.7
June ..	47.9	1,103.6	211.8	349.8	276.0	341.7	502.5	152.5	2,265.2	826.8	3,092.0
1962-63—July ..	47.9	1,104.4	209.7	350.1	274.5	340.1	504.4	152.0	2,263.2	826.2	3,089.4
Aug. ..	47.9	1,108.7	207.3	350.0	274.5	340.7	504.8	152.7	2,269.2	823.4	3,092.6
Sept. ..	47.7	1,112.7	206.6	350.3	275.8	342.0	505.0	155.5	2,279.5	821.8	3,101.3
Oct. ..	47.8	1,118.1	205.3	349.5	277.3	343.5	505.0	155.9	2,287.1	820.6	3,107.7
Nov. ..	47.9	1,120.7	204.0	350.8	285.4	346.2	506.0	157.3	2,301.8	821.8	3,123.6
Dec. ..	47.9	1,114.9	201.4	350.9	290.2	347.0	504.8	159.7	2,300.9	821.4	3,122.3
Jan. ..	48.0	1,119.5	202.8	352.6	281.3	349.6	507.0	158.9	2,300.2	825.9	3,126.1
Feb. ..	48.0	1,129.3	205.0	354.5	280.5	350.7	514.3	158.0	2,312.3	835.2	3,147.5
Mar. ..	47.5	1,134.3	207.2	354.3	280.2	351.3	517.4	158.0	2,317.9	839.5	3,157.4
April ..	47.5	1,127.4	208.8	355.2	281.0	350.6	519.5	159.2	2,313.3	843.2	3,156.5

(a) The figures on pages 6-8 are estimates; derived from annual Factory Censuses, returns of government employment, Pay-roll Tax returns, other direct collections and estimates of the number of employees not covered by these collections. The results of the 1961 Population Census that are at present available indicate that some revisions to these estimates will be necessary. (b) Figures to June, 1959, also exclude National Service trainees in camp.

(c) From July, 1962, subject to revision. See note on page 9. (d) Includes Law and Order, Religion and Social Welfare, Health Services, Education and other Community and Business Services.

(e) Includes all employees of government authorities. (Commonwealth, State, Local and semi-government) on services such as railways, tramways, banks, post offices, air transport, education, broadcasting, television, police, public works, factories and munitions establishments, migrant hostels, etc., as well as administrative employees, within Australia.

# WAGE AND SALARY EARNERS IN CIVILIAN EMPLOYMENT<sup>(a)</sup>

(Excluding Wage Earners in Rural Industry, Female Private Domestics and Defence Forces.)<sup>(b)</sup>

('000.)

Month.	New South Wales.	Victoria.	Queensland.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Northern Territory.	Australian Capital Territory.	Australia.
MALES.									
1959—June ..	819.0	603.4	287.8	192.0	140.0	67.6	5.9	11.9	2,127.6
1960—June ..	846.8	623.4	290.4	196.6	141.7	69.4	6.3	13.1	2,187.7
1961—June ..	841.6	619.4	284.8	195.7	142.2	69.1	6.4	13.5	2,172.7
1961-62—April ..	857.0	625.2	280.9	199.1	145.9	70.0	6.5	14.9	2,199.5
May ..	859.5	626.7	284.8	199.7	146.6	70.1	6.6	14.9	2,208.9
June ..	858.9	625.8	287.4	200.1	146.5	69.6	6.6	15.0	2,209.9
1962-63—July ..	857.3	624.6	287.8	200.3	146.5	69.5	6.8	14.9	2,207.7
August ..	857.2	624.8	288.2	200.6	146.5	69.6	6.9	15.0	2,208.8
September ..	858.6	626.9	287.4	201.4	147.3	69.5	6.9	15.2	2,213.2
October ..	860.2	628.9	286.2	201.1	147.3	69.5	6.8	15.3	2,215.3
November ..	865.1	631.9	285.3	201.1	148.0	69.6	6.8	15.4	2,223.2
December ..	864.2	635.3	279.7	202.2	148.9	70.6	6.7	15.6	2,223.2
January ..	865.8	638.5	279.4	203.0	149.1	71.0	6.7	15.8	2,229.3
February ..	870.2	642.2	284.1	203.5	149.2	71.1	6.7	15.9	2,242.9
March ..	872.2	642.5	287.1	203.8	149.2	70.8	6.7	16.1	2,248.4
April ..	872.3	642.9	287.3	203.9	149.2	70.8	6.8	16.2	2,249.4
FEMALES.									
1959—June ..	320.4	252.8	97.9	65.9	47.0	23.3	1.4	4.3	813.0
1960—June ..	340.1	268.1	101.8	69.8	49.2	24.2	1.6	4.8	859.6
1961—June ..	335.5	261.5	100.4	69.4	49.9	24.3	1.8	5.4	848.2
1961-62—April ..	348.0	271.3	101.5	72.2	52.0	24.8	1.8	5.9	877.5
May ..	349.4	272.3	102.1	72.5	52.0	24.7	1.8	6.0	880.8
June ..	349.4	272.3	102.9	73.2	51.8	24.7	1.8	6.0	882.1
1962-63—July ..	349.1	273.2	102.7	72.8	52.0	24.0	1.9	6.0	881.7
August ..	350.1	273.4	103.5	73.1	52.0	23.7	1.9	6.1	883.8
September ..	351.8	274.8	104.0	73.2	52.6	23.7	1.9	6.1	888.1
October ..	354.8	275.4	104.2	73.7	52.5	23.7	1.9	6.2	892.4
November ..	358.3	277.7	104.7	74.4	53.4	23.7	2.0	6.2	900.4
December ..	357.8	277.1	103.9	74.7	52.8	24.4	2.1	6.3	899.1
January ..	356.0	277.5	103.1	74.9	52.3	24.5	2.1	6.4	896.8
February ..	357.5	281.3	104.3	75.8	52.3	24.8	2.1	6.5	904.6
March ..	358.4	282.4	104.8	76.3	53.1	25.0	2.1	6.9	909.0
April ..	359.2	279.5	104.7	76.4	53.4	24.9	2.1	6.9	907.1
PERSONS.									
1959—June ..	1,139.4	856.2	385.7	257.9	187.0	90.9	7.3	16.2	2,940.6
1960—June ..	1,186.9	891.5	392.2	266.4	190.9	93.6	7.9	17.9	3,047.3
1961—June ..	1,177.1	880.9	385.2	265.1	192.1	93.4	8.2	18.9	3,020.9
1961-62—April ..	1,205.0	896.5	382.4	271.3	197.9	94.8	8.3	20.8	3,077.0
May ..	1,208.9	899.0	386.9	272.2	198.6	94.8	8.4	20.9	3,089.7
June ..	1,208.3	898.1	390.3	273.3	198.3	94.3	8.4	21.0	3,092.0
1962-63—July ..	1,206.4	897.8	390.5	273.1	198.5	93.5	8.7	20.9	3,089.4
August ..	1,207.3	898.2	391.7	273.7	198.5	93.3	8.8	21.1	3,092.6
September ..	1,210.4	901.7	391.4	274.6	199.9	93.2	8.8	21.3	3,101.3
October ..	1,215.0	904.3	390.4	274.8	199.8	93.2	8.7	21.5	3,107.7
November ..	1,223.4	909.6	390.0	275.5	201.4	93.3	8.8	21.6	3,123.6
December ..	1,222.0	912.4	383.6	276.9	201.7	95.0	8.8	21.9	3,122.3
January ..	1,221.8	916.0	382.5	277.9	201.4	95.5	8.8	22.2	3,126.1
February ..	1,227.7	923.5	388.4	279.3	201.5	95.9	8.8	22.4	3,147.5
March ..	1,230.6	924.9	391.9	280.1	202.3	95.8	8.8	23.0	3,157.4
April ..	1,231.5	922.4	392.0	280.3	202.6	95.7	8.9	23.1	3,156.5

(a) See notes on page 7.

(b) Figures for June, 1959, also exclude National Service trainees in camp.

# WAGE AND SALARY EARNERS EMPLOYED IN FACTORIES(a)

('000.)

Month.		New South Wales.	Victoria.	Queensland.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Australia.		
								Males.	Females.	Persons.
1953—June	..	372.7	304.5	91.4	78.2	43.6	22.6	701.5	211.5	913.0
1954—June	..	394.7	324.2	96.5	84.8	45.5	24.3	738.0	232.0	970.0
1955—June	..	408.1	336.5	97.9	87.4	47.3	24.8	763.5	238.5	1,002.0
1956—June	..	418.0	341.1	98.4	89.4	46.5	27.1	778.0	242.5	1,020.5
1957—June	..	422.5	340.1	99.9	88.4	45.8	26.4	780.2	242.9	1,023.1
1958—June	..	431.5	342.8	99.4	88.9	45.2	27.3	791.1	244.0	1,035.1
1959—June	..	436.9	351.7	100.9	92.2	45.3	27.5	805.6	248.9	1,054.5
1960—June	..	461.6	374.2	102.5	97.1	46.8	29.1	840.9	270.4	1,111.3
1961—June	..	437.4	351.9	99.4	91.3	46.6	28.8	810.3	245.1	1,055.4
1962—June	..	455.4	371.3	100.3	98.3	48.7	29.6	839.2	264.4	1,103.6
1960—61—	Feb.	458.2	378.6	97.1	96.3	47.7	29.6	838.5	269.0	1,107.5
	Mar.	452.5	372.9	96.2	94.7	47.8	29.3	829.8	263.6	1,093.4
	April	446.3	366.9	96.1	93.7	47.8	29.2	823.5	256.5	1,080.0
	May	441.4	359.0	98.7	92.8	47.4	28.9	818.1	250.1	1,068.2
	June	437.4	351.9	99.4	91.3	46.6	28.8	810.3	245.1	1,055.4
1961—62—	July	435.2	351.0	100.4	91.7	46.6	28.3	809.4	243.8	1,053.2
	Aug.	436.9	353.0	100.0	91.8	47.1	27.9	810.8	245.9	1,056.7
	Sept.	440.0	352.4	98.8	88.5	47.5	28.0	806.5	248.7	1,055.2
	Oct.	444.6	359.7	96.8	93.0	47.7	28.0	816.3	253.5	1,069.8
	Nov.	447.3	363.4	95.7	94.0	48.0	28.4	820.5	256.3	1,076.8
	Dec.	445.2	363.5	91.7	94.8	48.0	29.2	816.6	255.8	1,072.4
	Jan.	447.2	367.1	92.0	96.2	48.0	29.4	822.2	257.7	1,079.9
	Feb.	451.9	372.4	95.1	97.1	48.6	29.4	830.6	263.9	1,094.5
	Mar.	453.9	374.7	95.8	98.4	49.1	30.0	835.0	266.9	1,101.9
	April	452.5	370.0	95.4	97.4	48.9	29.8	832.4	261.6	1,094.0
	May	455.1	371.4	97.7	98.1	49.0	29.8	837.1	264.0	1,101.1
	June	455.4	371.3	100.3	98.3	48.7	29.6	839.2	264.4	1,103.6
1962—63—	July	455.0	372.3	100.8	98.4	48.8	29.1	840.2	264.2	1,104.4
	Aug.	456.3	374.1	101.6	99.0	48.9	28.8	842.8	265.9	1,108.7
	Sept.	457.6	376.4	101.3	99.4	49.3	28.7	845.0	267.7	1,112.7
	Oct.	460.5	379.1	100.6	99.8	49.5	28.6	847.5	270.6	1,118.1
	Nov.	462.1	380.9	99.5	99.8	49.7	28.7	849.3	271.4	1,120.7
	Dec.	460.4	380.2	94.8	99.8	50.0	29.7	846.4	268.5	1,114.9
	Jan.	460.4	383.7	94.4	100.7	50.1	30.2	850.3	269.2	1,119.5
	Feb.	463.4	387.1	97.5	101.1	49.9	30.3	855.8	273.5	1,129.3
	Mar.	464.3	388.0	99.8	101.7	50.2	30.3	858.4	275.9	1,134.3
	April	462.8	384.3	99.0	101.1	50.0	30.2	857.0	270.4	1,127.4

(a) Factory employment figures for periods to June, 1962, represent actual employment as recorded at successive annual Censuses of Factories. From July, 1962, the figures are interim estimates derived from Pay-roll Tax returns and other direct collections and are based on June, 1962. These interim estimates are subject to revision when Factory Censuses for 1962-63 and ensuing years are tabulated. Figures to June, 1959, also exclude National Service trainees in camp.



# UNEMPLOYMENT, SICKNESS AND SPECIAL BENEFITS(a)

## NUMBERS OF PERSONS ON BENEFIT.

Period.	Unemployment.									Sickness.	Special.	
											Ordinary.	Migrant. <sup>b</sup>
	New South Wales.	Victoria.	Queens land.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Australia.(c)(d)			Australia	Australia	Australia
							Males.	Females.	Persons.			
Monthly Average—												
1953-54 ..	c 6,495	2,698	3,169	(d) 252	406	212	10,680	2,552	13,232	7,994	1,868	426
1954-55 ..	1,440	538	1,408	66	153	81	2,623	1,067	3,690	7,984	1,983	484
1955-56 ..	1,362	479	1,511	83	515	57	3,066	948	4,014	7,303	1,973	464
1956-57 ..	4,151	3,349	2,343	702	1,972	134	10,355	2,311	12,666	6,992	2,012	823
1957-58 ..	8,706	5,127	5,588	1,566	2,360	512	18,978	4,922	23,900	7,314	2,107	611
1958-59 ..	11,588	5,743	4,883	1,603	2,838	611	20,204	7,107	27,311	8,241	2,147	463
1959-60 ..	7,718	4,267	4,442	1,227	2,460	561	14,713	5,993	20,706	8,722	2,290	344
1960-61 ..	7,332	4,884	6,263	1,732	2,200	576	17,243	5,795	23,038	8,505	2,397	437
1961-62 ..	18,932	14,782	10,261	3,748	2,908	1,522	39,694	12,570	52,264	9,379	2,334	475
1962-63 ..	15,563	8,863	8,059	2,235	2,679	1,482	26,757	12,178	38,935	10,508	2,485	174
Last Saturday of Month—												
1961-62—												
July ..	23,198	19,798	7,781	4,948	3,762	1,814	48,057	13,442	61,499	9,016	2,279	1,677
August ..	23,988	20,302	7,312	4,848	3,473	2,023	48,890	13,176	62,066	9,278	2,263	1,383
September ..	21,027	19,380	7,637	6,273	2,963	2,182	47,603	11,958	59,561	9,067	2,295	953
October ..	17,619	14,738	7,951	3,623	2,843	1,673	37,675	10,856	48,531	9,369	2,289	449
November ..	16,324	13,130	8,754	3,278	2,376	1,575	34,993	10,552	45,545	9,299	2,265	233
December ..	20,311	13,356	14,654	3,695	3,187	1,398	45,024	11,732	56,756	8,829	2,375	208
January ..	19,836	13,680	15,262	3,587	3,197	1,385	44,976	12,129	57,105	8,859	2,394	251
February ..	17,917	11,416	13,793	2,844	2,811	1,225	37,556	12,556	50,112	9,288	2,383	74
March ..	16,528	11,062	12,142	2,599	2,544	913	33,075	12,795	45,870	9,769	2,432	159
April ..	17,558	13,325	11,286	3,157	2,646	1,093	34,804	14,332	49,136	9,654	2,346	143
May ..	15,910	12,868	9,126	3,072	2,428	1,199	31,278	13,390	44,668	9,844	2,297	53
June ..	16,967	14,338	7,432	3,057	2,667	1,778	32,401	13,923	46,324	10,270	2,391	118
1962-63—												
July ..	17,243	13,931	6,605	2,876	2,789	1,937	31,834	13,619	45,453	10,494	2,372	62
August ..	16,690	12,790	5,925	2,648	2,511	2,018	30,028	12,619	42,647	10,579	2,387	165
September ..	14,926	10,517	5,329	2,105	2,091	1,827	25,764	11,087	36,851	10,950	2,428	47
October ..	13,589	8,934	5,548	2,035	2,051	1,588	23,554	10,242	33,796	11,106	2,511	125
November ..	13,030	7,504	5,767	1,816	2,059	1,580	21,763	10,070	31,833	10,910	2,574	233
December ..	17,150	7,796	11,603	2,153	2,945	1,432	31,493	11,660	43,153	9,707	2,383	304
January ..	16,893	8,059	13,188	2,299	3,315	1,186	32,895	12,114	45,009	9,911	2,564	187
February ..	15,259	6,839	11,818	2,132	3,094	1,093	27,908	12,364	40,272	10,231	2,577	118
March ..	14,568	6,268	9,836	1,922	2,806	964	23,958	12,436	36,394	10,547	2,528	201
April ..	14,958	7,389	8,801	2,151	2,699	1,106	24,334	12,808	37,142	10,158	2,521	264
May ..	15,596	7,787	6,938	2,245	2,603	1,203	23,355	13,124	36,479	10,631	2,507	205
June ..	16,834	8,548	5,353	2,441	3,179	1,777	24,200	13,988	38,188	10,868	2,468	177
1963-64—												
July ..	16,444	8,383	4,265	2,511	3,488	1,995	23,571	13,575	37,146	11,518	2,531	113
August ..	13,613	7,395	3,649	2,022	3,196	1,948	19,864	12,005	31,869	11,584	2,504	86

(a) As furnished by the Department of Social Services. (b) In reception and training centres. (c) Includes Australian Capital Territory. (d) Includes Northern Territory. (e) Eight months only.

# VALUE OF RETAIL SALES IN AUSTRALIA(a): COMMODITY GROUPS

(Figures are on a basis comparable with the 1961-62 Retail Census.)

The figures in the table below relate to retail sales of goods (as distinct from services, repairs, accommodation, entertainments, meals, etc.) by establishments which normally sell goods by retail to the general public from shops, rooms, kiosks and yards. Hotels, garages and service stations are also included in respect of goods sold, but establishments such as clubs and guest houses are entirely excluded. Figures for the years 1952-53, 1956-57 and 1961-62 are derived from censuses taken in respect of those years, whereas other figures are estimates made by means of sample surveys.

(£ million.)

Period.	Groceries (b)	Butchers' Meat.	Other Food. (c)	Beer, Wine and Spirits.	Clothing and Drapery.	Footwear.	Hardware. (d)	Electrical Goods. (e)	Furniture.	Chemists' Goods.	News-papers, Books and Stationery.	Other Goods. (f)	Total (Excl. Motor Vehicles, etc.).	Motor Vehicles, Parts, Petrol, etc.(g)
<b>Quarterly Average—</b>														
1953-54 ..	68.7	33.5	55.9	46.7	96.9		13.4	22.8	20.2		68.6		426.7	116.0
1954-55 ..	75.5	36.7	61.6	51.1	104.8		14.5	24.8	21.6		75.1		465.7	134.8
1955-56 ..	82.2	39.7	67.3	55.5	108.3		15.1	26.1	23.0		81.4		498.6	145.5
1956-57 ..	86.0	42.5	70.7	59.5	95.2   14.8		14.9	28.3	23.1	19.2   17.3   50.2			521.7	149.1
1957-58 ..	89.6	42.7	73.6	62.2	112.7		15.0	34.4	24.4	90.0			544.6	161.3
1958-59 ..	92.2	44.6	77.2	61.9	99.2   16.2		16.5	38.7	24.5	24.3   18.1   51.3			564.7	172.9
1959-60 ..	97.8	48.4	83.9	65.7	108.4   18.0		17.8	46.8	28.6	27.0   19.5   56.8			618.7	207.0
1960-61 ..	104.1	52.8	88.4	67.4	112.4   19.2		18.3	44.3	29.2	30.4   20.1   60.8			647.4	206.6
1961-62 ..	107.3	53.0	91.6	68.2	112.3   19.4		18.4	43.5	28.7	33.2   20.9   61.6			658.1	200.8
1962-63p ..	110.7		220.8				227.8				119.8		679.1	240.4
<b>Quarterly Total—</b>														
1960-61—														
June Qtr. ..	103.4	54.0	85.2	62.4	118.0	19.9	17.1	39.6	26.0	30.5	18.6	56.2	630.9	184.8
1961-62—														
Sept. „ ..	108.0	53.9	88.6	62.6	105.6	18.6	17.5	40.3	28.3	31.8	19.5	59.3	634.0	187.6
Dec. „ ..	113.3	52.9	95.5	74.9	128.1	21.6	20.5	48.3	32.8	36.2	23.9	73.3	721.3	204.3
Mar. „ ..	101.5	52.1	92.4	70.4	94.7	16.5	17.7	42.0	25.8	31.8	20.8	55.4	621.1	199.0
June „ ..	106.3	52.9	89.9	65.1	120.9	20.8	18.0	43.4	27.9	33.1	19.3	58.3	655.9	212.2
1962-63 p—														
Sept. „ ..	108.4	54.0	89.4	65.1	107.4	19.0	18.3	44.2	29.5	33.7	19.5	59.6	648.1	239.1
Dec. „ ..	117.1	55.0	98.6	78.5	132.4	22.7	21.7	51.9	33.7	38.4	24.5	77.8	752.3	252.5
Mar. „ ..	106.8	54.2	96.0	74.4	94.2	16.7	18.6	41.6	25.7	32.7	21.0	57.7	639.6	231.9
June „ ..	110.4	56.7	93.2	67.9	122.5	21.5	19.5	42.5	27.6	34.6	20.0	59.9	676.3	237.9
<b>Monthly Total—</b>														
1963 p—													(h)	
March ..													215.5	
April ..													220.3	
May ..													239.1	
June ..													216.9	
July ..													225.8	
August ..													229.7	

(a) Excludes Northern Territory and Australian Capital Territory. (b) Includes bacon, butter, etc. (c) Includes fresh fruit and vegetables, confectionery, soft drinks, ice cream, cakes, pastry, cooked provisions, fish, etc., but excludes some delivered milk and bread. (d) Excludes basic building materials, builders' hardware and supplies such as tools of trade, paint, etc. (e) Includes radios, television and accessories, musical instruments, domestic refrigerators, etc. (f) Includes tobacco, cigarettes, etc., jewellery, sporting goods, etc., but excludes grain and business machines. (g) Includes new and used motor vehicles, parts, petrol, etc., but excludes tractors, farm machinery and implements, earthmoving equipment, etc. (h) For earlier monthly figures see page 2.

NOTE.—Figures from September quarter, 1962 are subject to revision when more precise information is available relating to trading by new businesses.

## INSTALMENT CREDIT FOR RETAIL SALES

The following statistics cover all types of schemes which relate primarily to the financing of retail sales of goods and in which repayment is made by regular predetermined instalments. Types of schemes covered include Hire Purchase, Time Payment, Budget Account, and Personal Loans relating primarily to financing of retail sales of goods.

### AMOUNT FINANCED, BY COMMODITY GROUPS, AND BALANCES OUTSTANDING: AUSTRALIA

(RETAIL BUSINESSES PLUS NON-RETAIL FINANCE BUSINESSES.)  
(£'000.)

Period.				Amount Financed during Period (excluding Hiring Charges, Interest and Insurance).				Balances Outstanding at End of Period (including Hiring Charges, etc.).
				Motor Vehicles, Tractors, etc.	Plant and Machinery.	Household and Personal Goods.	Total.	
HIRE PURCHASE.								
Quarterly Average—								
1956-57 .. .. .				35,701	2,855	18,741	57,297	282,310
1958-59(a) .. .. .				46,302	4,122	28,718	79,142	423,904
1959-60 .. .. .				55,895	4,989	31,002	91,886	508,250
1960-61 .. .. .				47,823	5,684	25,371	78,878	508,074
1961-62 .. .. .				43,126	5,340	21,270	69,736	474,037
Quarterly Total—								
1960-61—								
March Qtr. .. .. .				36,629	4,543	23,290	64,462	529,143
June „ .. .. .				36,370	4,756	19,778	60,904	508,074
1961-62—								
September „ .. .. .				36,939	4,686	20,145	61,770	492,016
December „ .. .. .				43,415	6,867	23,478	73,760	488,518
March „ .. .. .				43,200	4,927	20,537	68,664	475,449
June „ .. .. .				48,948	4,879	20,920	74,747	474,037
1962-63—								
September „ .. .. .				54,602	4,926	21,207	80,735	480,842
December „ .. .. .				54,990	7,712	23,803	86,505	496,297
March „ .. .. .				52,289	5,895	20,614	78,798	495,642
OTHER INSTALMENT CREDIT.								
Quarterly Average—								
1956-57 .. .. .				64	35	9,076	9,175	22,607
1958-59(a) .. .. .				688	168	14,339	15,195	47,141
1959-60 .. .. .				2,360	119	17,816	20,295	68,311
1960-61 .. .. .				2,037	94	21,451	23,582	90,911
1961-62 .. .. .				2,545	140	23,282	25,967	109,246
Quarterly Total								
1960-61—								
March Qtr. .. .. .				1,240	58	16,655	17,953	88,590
June „ .. .. .				1,510	82	20,100	21,692	90,911
1961-62—								
September „ .. .. .				1,936	132	20,712	22,780	91,744
December „ .. .. .				2,472	122	28,034	30,628	101,962
March „ .. .. .				2,636	129	19,196	21,961	103,307
June „ .. .. .				3,136	178	25,186	28,500	109,246
1962-63—								
September „ .. .. .				4,062	83	23,668	27,813	112,064
December „ .. .. .				4,712	69	30,247	35,028	122,961
March „ .. .. .				3,910	99	19,545	23,554	122,093

(a) Figures for the year ended 30th June, 1958 are not available.



# **INSTALMENT CREDIT FOR RETAIL SALES—continued**

AMOUNT FINANCED, BY COMMODITY GROUPS, AND BALANCES OUTSTANDING:  
AUSTRALIA—continued

(RETAIL BUSINESSES PLUS NON-RETAIL FINANCE BUSINESSES.)

(£'000.)

Period.	Amount Financed during Period (excluding Hiring Charges, Interest and Insurance).				Balances Outstanding at End of Period (including Hiring Charges, etc.).
	Motor Vehicles, Tractors, etc.	Plant and Machinery.	Household and Personal Goods.	Total.	
TOTAL INSTALMENT CREDIT.					
Quarterly Average—					
1956-57 .. .. .	35,765	2,890	27,817	66,472	304,917
1958-59(a) .. .. .	46,990	4,290	43,057	94,337	471,045
1959-60 .. .. .	58,255	5,108	48,818	112,181	576,561
1960-61 .. .. .	49,860	5,778	46,822	102,460	598,985
1961-62 .. .. .	45,671	5,480	44,552	95,703	583,283
Quarterly Total—					
1961-62—					
December Qtr. .. .. .	45,887	6,989	51,512	104,388	590,480
March „ .. .. .	45,836	5,056	39,733	90,625	578,756
June „ .. .. .	52,084	5,057	46,106	103,247	583,283
1962-63—					
September „ .. .. .	58,664	5,009	44,875	108,548	592,906
December „ .. .. .	59,702	7,781	54,050	121,533	619,258
March „ .. .. .	56,199	5,994	40,159	102,352	617,735

(a) Figures for the year ended 30th June, 1958 are not available.

**BALANCES OUTSTANDING (INCLUDING HIRING CHARGES, INTEREST AND INSURANCE):  
STATES**

(RETAIL BUSINESSES PLUS NON-RETAIL FINANCE BUSINESSES.)

(£'000.)

At—	New South Wales.(a)	Victoria.	Queensland.	South Australia.(b)	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Australia.
<b>HIRER PURCHASE.</b>							
31st December, 1961 ..	194,660	128,864	65,635	46,866	38,979	13,514	488,518
31st March, 1962 ..	190,837	125,594	63,955	44,538	37,166	13,359	475,449
30th June, 1962 ..	191,071	123,430	64,235	43,153	38,329	13,819	474,037
30th September, 1962 ..	193,451	124,201	65,792	42,759	39,964	14,675	480,842
31st December, 1962 ..	199,054	127,769	68,643	42,797	42,659	15,375	496,297
31st March, 1963 ..	199,606	126,774	69,359	42,449	41,893	15,561	495,642
<b>OTHER INSTALMENT CREDIT.</b>							
31st December, 1961 ..	42,362	27,217	10,173	11,119	7,006	4,085	101,962
31st March, 1962 ..	42,337	27,537	10,323	11,645	7,435	4,030	103,307
30th June, 1962 ..	44,207	29,222	11,132	12,398	8,213	4,074	109,246
30th September, 1962 ..	44,544	29,943	11,546	13,258	8,598	4,175	112,064
31st December, 1962 ..	49,017	33,537	12,918	14,300	8,723	4,466	122,961
31st March, 1963 ..	47,585	33,756	12,984	14,777	8,646	4,345	122,093
<b>TOTAL INSTALMENT CREDIT.</b>							
31st December, 1961 ..	237,022	156,081	75,808	57,985	45,985	17,599	590,480
31st March, 1962 ..	233,174	153,131	74,278	56,183	44,601	17,389	578,756
30th June, 1962 ..	235,278	152,652	75,367	55,551	46,542	17,893	583,283
30th September, 1962 ..	237,995	154,144	77,338	56,017	48,562	18,850	592,906
31st December, 1962 ..	248,071	161,306	81,561	57,097	51,382	19,841	619,258
31st March, 1963 ..	247,191	160,530	82,343	57,226	50,539	19,906	617,735

(a) Includes Australian Capital Territory.

(b) Includes Northern Territory.

# **INSTALMENT CREDIT FOR RETAIL SALES—continued**

AMOUNT FINANCED, BY COMMODITY GROUPS, COLLECTIONS AND BALANCES  
OUTSTANDING: AUSTRALIA

(NON-RETAIL FINANCE BUSINESSES.)

(£'000.)

Period.	Amount Financed during Period.(a)				Collections during Period.(b)	Balances Outstanding at End of Period.(b)	
	Motor Vehicles, Tractors, etc.		Plant and Machinery.	Household and Personal Goods.			Total.
	New.	Used					
Monthly Average—							
1955-56 .. ..	10,113		772	2,948	13,833	(c)	201,612
1956-57 .. ..	11,125		825	2,880	14,830	(c)	221,762
1957-58 .. ..	12,969		897	4,783	18,649	(c)	280,539
1958-59 .. ..	14,662		1,229	5,092	20,983	(c)	336,344
1959-60 .. ..	18,052		1,465	5,360	24,877	26,346	403,286
1960-61 .. ..	15,487		1,680	4,278	21,445	28,271	397,652
1961-62 .. ..	7,346	7,042	1,623	3,348	19,359	26,820	373,463
1962-63(e) ..	8,865	9,513	1,881	3,369	23,628	27,045	396,760
Monthly Total—							
1960-61—	11,051		1,298	3,193	15,542	27,679	397,652
June .. ..	5,472	5,502	1,301	2,817	15,092	26,727	391,587
July .. ..	6,516	6,126	1,446	3,134	17,222	27,278	386,741
August .. ..	6,423	6,056	1,464	3,054	16,997	25,363	383,665
September ..	7,646	6,773	2,170	3,624	20,213	27,440	380,944
October .. ..	7,899	7,067	2,511	3,679	21,156	27,164	380,772
November ..	7,268	6,647	1,562	3,737	19,214	24,354	380,686
December ..	6,711	7,211	1,402	3,485	18,809	27,353	378,029
January .. ..	6,972	6,621	1,468	2,991	18,052	27,614	373,687
February ..	8,217	7,861	1,690	3,332	21,100	29,269	371,130
March .. ..	7,117	7,243	1,396	3,071	18,827	24,454	370,393
April .. ..	8,980	8,688	1,616	3,780	23,064	28,820	370,718
May .. ..	8,935	8,713	1,450	3,468	22,566	26,007	373,463
June .. ..	9,408	9,769	1,400	3,420	23,997	27,064	377,556
July .. ..	9,213	10,448	1,699	3,522	24,882	27,135	379,292
August .. ..	8,201	9,012	1,351	3,137	21,701	23,971	383,853
September ..	9,851	10,520	2,456	3,522	26,349	28,196	390,141
October .. ..	9,707	10,147	2,715	3,645	26,214	26,741	396,377
November ..	8,465	8,345	1,955	3,830	22,595	23,969	401,687
December ..	8,510	10,339	1,645	3,579	24,073	29,035	403,706
January .. ..	8,252	8,819	2,023	3,004	22,098	27,992	403,800
February ..	8,677	9,155	1,723	3,074	22,629	28,936	403,303
March .. ..	8,500	8,900	1,900	3,000	22,300	26,800	405,100
April(e) .. ..	9,200	9,900	2,100	3,500	24,700	29,000	407,600
May(e) .. ..	8,400	8,800	1,600	3,200	22,000	25,700	409,600
June(e) .. ..	11,600	11,200	1,600	3,800	28,200	29,800	(d)416,300

(a) Excludes hiring charges, interest and insurance.

(b) Includes hiring charges, interest and insurance.

(c) Not available.

(d) Provisional estimate 31st August, 1963, £m.422.

(e) Preliminary estimates to the nearest hundred thousand pounds.

## WHOLESALE TRADE

An indication of fluctuations in the value of wholesale trade is given by the returns made under the Sales Tax Acts. With certain specified exemptions, goods sold by wholesale in Australia including imports, are taxable. The returns do not relate to all wholesale trade, as vendors trading only in exempt goods are not required to furnish returns. They do not necessarily cover a constant proportion of all trade. The effects of legislation and administrative changes on the recorded values of taxable and exempt goods respectively are somewhat uncertain, but total recorded sales are affected in smaller degrees. Insufficient information is available to enable adjustment to be made to the crude figures on this account.

(£ million.)

Period.								Net Sales Recorded.		
								Taxable Goods.	Exempt Goods.	Total.
<b>Monthly Average—</b>										
1953-54	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	57.3	122.2	179.5
1954-55	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	63.9	141.6	205.5
1955-56	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	66.5	154.8	221.3
1956-57	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	65.1	168.1	233.2
1957-58	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	70.8	175.5	246.3
1958-59	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	74.2	179.3	253.5
1959-60	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	85.0	196.2	281.2
1960-61	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	86.7	203.9	290.6
1961-62	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	87.5	201.3	288.8
1962-63	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	96.0	218.9	314.9
<b>Monthly Total—</b>										
1960-61—										
May..	..	..	15.2	35.4	9.6	..	7.0	79.1	206.6	285.7
June..	..	..	12.6	35.7	8.8	..	6.8	74.6	209.1	283.7
1961-62—										
July..	..	..	13.6	33.8	8.3	..	7.0	72.8	180.2	253.0
August	..	8.5	8.2	38.8	8.9	..	8.2	84.4	200.4	284.8
September	..	17.3	..	40.4	9.0	..	8.0	86.6	201.7	288.3
October	..	18.5	..	45.3	9.3	..	8.2	94.7	206.1	300.8
November	..	21.4	..	46.0	9.6	..	9.2	100.0	219.3	319.3
December	..	20.8	..	45.4	8.9	..	9.9	97.7	193.1	290.8
January	..	13.3	..	34.2	8.3	..	6.3	72.9	178.9	251.8
February	..	20.1	..	43.5	2.0	11.0	6.9	85.8	197.9	283.7
March	..	17.4	..	49.2	..	15.7	8.2	90.5	214.4	304.9
April	..	15.3	..	43.8	..	13.5	7.5	80.1	192.4	272.5
May..	..	23.2	..	49.7	..	16.1	9.0	98.0	230.5	328.5
June..	..	15.1	..	45.6	..	17.8	7.8	86.3	201.0	287.3
1962-63—										
July..	..	16.8	..	48.2	..	17.8	8.3	91.1	204.6	295.7
August	..	19.3	..	51.6	..	20.4	9.1	100.4	221.6	322.0
September	..	17.6	..	49.9	..	18.0	8.4	93.9	205.0	298.9
October	..	19.7	..	58.3	..	20.8	9.7	108.5	229.2	337.7
November	..	21.7	..	60.2	..	20.6	10.6	113.1	237.7	350.8
December	..	21.2	..	56.3	..	17.9	10.1	105.5	207.0	312.5
January	..	13.2	..	45.5	..	16.3	6.4	81.4	190.5	271.9
February	..	16.4	..	48.0	..	17.9	6.9	89.2	206.8	296.0
March	..	16.9	..	51.3	..	18.2	7.6	94.0	221.3	315.3
April(r)	..	15.8	..	49.3	..	16.9	8.7	90.7	240.2	330.9
May(a)	..	18.7	..	53.2	..	17.7	8.1	97.7	239.3	337.0
June(a)	..	15.7	..	47.0	..	16.5	6.9	86.1	224.0	310.1

(a) Preliminary and partly estimated.

# IMPORTS OF MERCHANDISE: ECONOMIC CLASSES

(£A'000 f.o.b. Port of Shipment.)

Period.	Producers' Materials for use in—										Fuels and Lubricants.(d)		Auxiliary Aids to Production.(e)		Munitions and War Stores.	
	Building and Construction.		Rural Industries.		Manufacturing.				Total.(c)							
					Motor Vehicle Assembly.ab		Other.(c)									
	Class I A.		Class I. B.		Class I. c (5).		Class I. c (1-4).		Class I.		Class II.		Class III.		Class VII.	
Monthly Average—		%		%		%		%		%		%		%		%
1953-54 ..	1,946	3.4	441	0.8	(f)	(f)	19,548	34.6	21,935	38.8	5,633	10.0	1,995	3.5	351	0.6
1954-55 ..	3,044	4.3	517	0.7			25,691	36.7	29,252	41.7	4,790	6.9	2,503	3.6	728	0.9
1955-56 ..	2,567	3.8	550	0.8	5,672	8.3	25,665	37.7	34,454	50.6	3,889	5.7	2,357	3.4	1,071	1.6
1956-57 ..	2,062	3.5	562	0.9	4,300	7.2	24,723	41.4	31,647	53.0	2,343	3.9	2,191	3.7	745	1.2
1957-58 ..	1,928	2.9	738	1.1	4,751	7.2	27,115	41.3	34,532	52.5	2,026	3.1	2,223	3.4	676	1.0
1958-59 ..	1,899	2.9	670	1.0	5,177	7.8	26,692	40.3	34,438	52.0	2,268	3.5	2,204	3.3	721	1.1
1959-60 ..	2,689	3.5	669	0.9	6,592	8.5	30,580	39.7	40,530	52.6	2,178	2.8	2,425	3.2	1,035	1.3
1960-61 ..	3,433	3.8	978	1.1	7,142	7.9	36,899	40.8	48,452	53.6	2,222	2.4	3,212	3.6	651	0.7
1961-62 ..	2,279	3.1	1,022	1.4	4,062	5.5	28,857	39.3	36,220	49.3	2,140	2.9	2,582	3.5	796	1.1
1962-63 ..	2,807	3.1	1,040	1.2	7,995	8.9	34,270	38.1	46,112	51.3	2,532	2.8	2,877	3.2	596	0.7
Monthly Total																
1960-61—																
June ..	2,254	3.0	1,466	2.0	3,782	5.1	30,153	40.4	37,655	50.5	2,109	2.8	1,929	2.6	779	1.1
1961-62—																
July ..	1,664	2.4	1,197	1.7	3,515	5.0	26,985	38.7	33,361	47.8	2,372	3.4	2,865	4.1	522	0.8
August ..	1,969	2.7	925	1.3	4,239	5.8	27,611	37.8	34,744	47.6	1,776	2.4	2,720	3.7	1,414	2.0
September ..	1,827	2.7	1,389	2.1	2,259	3.4	26,244	39.5	31,719	47.7	2,557	3.8	2,400	3.6	922	1.3
October ..	2,084	3.0	1,248	1.8	2,353	3.4	26,317	38.5	32,002	46.7	1,471	2.1	3,431	5.0	1,147	1.7
November ..	2,016	2.9	844	1.2	2,517	3.6	27,318	39.0	32,695	46.7	1,974	2.8	3,247	4.7	478	0.7
December ..	1,955	3.2	832	1.3	2,523	4.1	26,282	42.4	31,592	51.0	918	1.5	1,834	3.0	395	0.6
January ..	2,616	3.2	962	1.1	3,780	4.6	33,280	40.6	40,638	49.5	2,512	3.1	2,791	3.4	988	1.2
February ..	2,150	3.1	921	1.3	3,897	5.6	27,629	40.0	34,597	50.0	2,543	3.7	1,861	2.7	644	0.9
March ..	2,786	3.6	850	1.1	5,750	7.4	29,067	37.6	38,453	49.7	2,397	3.1	2,385	3.0	694	0.9
April ..	2,165	3.0	901	1.3	4,633	6.5	27,167	38.2	34,866	49.0	1,712	2.4	2,172	3.1	684	1.0
May ..	3,260	3.6	1,073	1.2	6,849	7.5	35,448	39.1	46,630	51.4	3,186	3.5	2,442	2.7	1,053	1.1
June ..	2,862	3.5	1,118	1.4	6,431	7.9	32,929	40.3	43,340	53.1	2,270	2.8	2,745	3.4	620	0.8
1962-63 p—							r		r							
July ..	2,920	3.3	936	1.0	7,022	7.9	34,244	38.4	45,122	50.6	2,876	3.2	2,962	3.3	516	0.6
August ..	3,188	3.3	1,243	1.3	9,480	9.7	35,448	36.4	49,359	50.7	2,865	2.9	3,101	3.2	336	0.4
September ..	2,894	3.3	1,523	1.7	7,410	8.5	33,828	38.7	45,655	52.2	1,566	1.8	2,313	2.6	518	0.6
October ..	2,830	3.0	981	1.0	8,255	8.8	35,298	38.0	47,364	50.8	2,870	3.1	4,105	4.4	249	0.3
November ..	3,164	3.3	797	0.9	7,682	8.1	37,491	39.4	49,134	51.7	3,050	3.2	2,815	3.0	1,166	1.2
December ..	1,886	2.5	806	1.1	5,870	7.8	28,830	38.6	37,392	50.0	1,487	2.0	2,442	3.3	341	0.4
January ..	2,851	2.8	830	0.8	7,981	7.7	39,978	38.7	51,640	50.0	3,321	3.2	3,513	3.4	165	0.2
February ..	2,420	3.1	798	1.0	6,868	8.7	31,637	40.3	41,723	53.1	1,689	2.1	2,824	3.6	621	0.8
March ..	2,950	3.6	888	1.1	7,465	9.3	30,520	37.7	41,823	51.7	2,989	3.7	2,578	3.2	608	0.8
April ..	2,615	2.8	1,303	1.4	9,839	10.7	32,855	35.6	46,612	50.5	2,876	3.1	2,698	2.9	429	0.5
May ..	3,060	3.2	1,060	1.1	10,361	10.8	35,791	37.4	50,272	52.5	2,902	3.0	2,520	2.6	1,404	1.5
June ..	2,911	3.2	1,315	1.5	7,701	8.5	35,370	39.0	47,297	52.2	1,893	2.1	2,658	2.9	800	0.9
1963-64 p—																
July ..	3,636	3.7	941	0.9	8,342	8.4	39,374	39.5	52,293	52.5	2,206	2.2	3,420	3.4	878	0.9

(a) Owing to insufficient information it is not possible to treat unassembled tractors and other machinery in a similar manner to motor vehicles and all such machinery is treated as capital equipment whether imported in an assembled or unassembled condition. (b) Includes replacement parts. (c) Excludes a percentage for piece-goods to be sold at retail and paper to be used solely for wrapping which are recorded in Classes VI. E-J and III. respectively. (d) Excludes crude petroleum which is included in Class I. c. (1-4). (e) Includes a percentage for paper used solely for wrapping, see note (c). (f) Included in Class V.B. (g) Prior to July, 1955, excludes completely knocked down vehicles, components for the assembly of motor vehicles and replacement parts which since July, 1955, have been recorded in Class I. c. (5).

# IMPORTS OF MERCHANDISE: ECONOMIC CLASSES—*continued*

(£A'000 f.o.b. Port of Shipment.)

Period.	Capital Equipment.						Finished Consumer Goods.							
	Producers' Equipment.		Transport Equipment.				Food, Beverages and Tobacco.		Clothing and Accessories.		All Other. (a)		Total. (a)	
			Complete Road Vehicles and Assembled Chassis.		Railway Equipment, Vessels and Civil Aircraft.									
	Class IV.		Class V. B.		Class V. A, C, D.		Class VI. A, B, C.		Class VI. D.		Class VI. E-J.		Class VI.	
Monthly Average—		%		%		%		%		%		%		%
1953-54 ..	9,474	16.8	5,679	10.2	1,552	2.7	2,658	4.7	446	0.8	6,736	11.9	9,840	17.4
1954-55 ..	10,289	14.8	7,377	10.5	1,824	2.6	3,236	4.6	614	0.9	9,468	13.5	13,318	19.0
1955-56 ..	11,174	16.4	(b) 1,784	2.6	1,841	2.7	2,276	3.3	491	0.7	8,854	13.0	11,621	17.0
1956-57 ..	10,132	16.9	958	1.6	1,616	2.8	2,388	4.0	281	0.5	7,422	12.4	10,091	16.9
1957-58 ..	12,040	18.3	1,047	1.6	1,353	2.1	2,523	3.8	429	0.6	8,923	13.6	11,875	18.0
1958-59 ..	11,613	17.5	951	1.4	2,220	3.4	2,699	4.1	397	0.6	8,695	13.1	11,791	17.8
1959-60 ..	13,830	17.9	1,063	1.4	2,453	3.2	3,058	4.0	465	0.6	10,016	13.0	13,539	17.6
1960-61 ..	16,534	18.3	1,438	1.6	1,715	1.9	3,470	3.8	650	0.7	12,100	13.4	16,220	17.9
1961-62 ..	14,165	19.3	1,035	1.4	1,575	2.1	3,302	4.5	527	0.7	11,208	15.2	15,037	20.4
1962-63 ..	17,244	19.2	1,931	2.1	1,559	1.7	3,417	3.8	606	0.7	13,027	14.5	17,050	19.0
Monthly Total—														
1960-61—														
June ..	15,282	20.5	809	1.1	1,576	2.1	3,016	4.0	376	0.5	11,045	14.8	14,437	19.3
1961-62—														
July ..	13,907	19.9	769	1.1	2,182	3.1	2,842	4.1	582	0.8	10,361	14.9	13,785	19.8
August ..	13,756	18.9	824	1.1	2,481	3.4	3,387	4.6	637	0.9	11,251	15.4	15,275	20.9
September ..	12,081	18.0	870	1.3	1,006	1.5	3,405	5.1	565	0.8	11,325	16.9	15,295	22.8
October ..	12,514	18.2	921	1.3	1,652	2.4	3,932	5.7	324	0.5	11,264	16.4	15,520	22.6
November ..	14,092	20.1	970	1.4	2,112	3.0	3,195	4.6	366	0.5	10,867	15.5	14,428	20.6
December ..	11,454	18.5	639	1.1	1,560	2.5	3,168	5.1	348	0.6	9,986	16.1	13,502	21.8
January ..	15,480	18.9	1,213	1.5	1,820	2.2	3,782	4.6	704	0.8	12,113	14.8	16,599	20.2
February ..	13,382	19.4	970	1.4	963	1.4	2,758	4.0	629	0.9	10,818	15.6	14,205	20.5
March ..	15,684	20.2	1,758	2.3	1,120	1.4	3,519	4.5	667	0.9	10,887	14.0	15,073	19.4
April ..	13,693	19.2	1,045	1.5	1,643	2.3	3,368	4.7	546	0.8	11,397	16.0	15,311	21.5
May ..	17,810	19.6	1,275	1.4	1,329	1.5	3,544	3.9	461	0.5	13,085	14.4	17,090	18.8
June ..	16,134	19.7	1,167	1.4	1,040	1.3	2,730	3.3	490	0.6	11,150	13.6	14,370	17.5
1962-63 p—														
July ..	17,002	19.1	1,510	1.7	1,763	2.0	3,176	3.6	628	0.7	13,529	15.2	17,333	19.5
August ..	19,421	19.9	2,040	2.1	1,795	1.8	2,760	2.8	747	0.8	15,005	15.4	18,512	19.0
September ..	17,296	19.7	1,583	1.8	1,105	1.3	3,332	3.8	647	0.7	13,512	15.5	17,491	20.0
October ..	17,497	18.7	1,642	1.7	1,198	1.3	3,312	3.5	491	0.5	14,650	15.7	18,453	19.7
November ..	17,028	17.9	1,786	1.9	1,469	1.5	4,201	4.4	429	0.5	14,021	14.7	18,651	19.6
December ..	15,214	20.4	1,648	2.2	1,641	2.2	3,138	4.2	420	0.6	11,016	14.7	14,574	19.5
January ..	20,458	19.8	2,357	2.3	1,829	1.7	4,331	4.2	694	0.7	15,071	14.5	20,096	19.4
February ..	13,899	17.7	1,974	2.5	1,376	1.8	3,230	4.1	873	1.1	10,350	13.2	14,453	18.4
March ..	14,437	17.8	1,951	2.4	1,229	1.5	3,343	4.1	791	1.0	11,199	13.8	15,333	18.9
April ..	18,650	20.2	2,391	2.6	2,082	2.3	3,341	3.6	606	0.7	12,596	13.6	16,543	17.9
May ..	18,823	19.7	2,090	2.2	1,776	1.8	3,097	3.2	503	0.5	12,410	13.0	16,010	16.7
June ..	17,204	19.0	2,200	2.4	1,439	1.6	3,737	4.1	440	0.5	12,969	14.3	17,146	18.9
1963-64 p—														
July ..	19,658	19.7	2,401	2.4	1,502	1.5	3,218	3.2	763	0.8	13,364	13.4	17,345	17.4

(a) Includes a percentage for piece-goods to be sold at retail, see note (c), page 16. (b) Prior to July, 1955, includes completely knocked down vehicles, components for the assembly of motor vehicles and replacement parts which since July, 1955, have been recorded in Class I. c. (5).



# IMPORTS OF MERCHANDISE: DEGREE OF MANUFACTURE

(£A'000 f.o.b. Port of Shipment.)

Period.	Producers' Materials. (Class I.) <i>(a)</i>			Finished Consumer Goods. (Class VI.) <i>(b)</i>			Total Imports of Merchandise. (All Classes.)			
	Crude.	Simply transformed.	Elaborately transformed.	Crude.	Simply transformed.	Elaborately transformed.	Crude.	Simply transformed.	Elaborately transformed.	Total.
<b>Monthly Average—</b>										
1953-54 .. ..	6,260	3,189	12,486	385	1,471	7,984	6,645	11,384	38,520	56,549
1954-55 .. ..	8,818	4,986	15,448	428	2,082	10,808	9,246	13,167	47,668	70,081
1955-56 .. ..	10,095	4,557	19,802	423	1,191	10,007	10,518	10,913	46,760	68,191
1956-57 .. ..	10,650	4,741	16,256	497	1,450	8,144	11,147	9,623	38,953	59,723
1957-58 .. ..	11,563	5,501	17,468	600	1,359	9,916	12,163	10,089	43,520	65,772
1958-59 .. ..	11,628	4,954	17,856	565	1,550	9,676	12,193	9,961	44,052	66,206
1959-60 .. ..	12,834	6,031	21,674	696	1,537	11,306	13,530	11,131	52,392	77,053
1960-61 .. ..	13,395	7,377	27,689	785	1,571	13,847	14,180	12,783	63,481	90,444
1961-62 .. ..	11,704	5,587	18,970	733	1,508	12,797	12,437	10,494	50,615	73,546
1962-63 .. ..	13,179	7,363	25,603	783	1,552	14,715	13,962	13,051	62,888	89,901
<b>Monthly Total—</b>										
1960-61—										
June .. ..	13,026	5,216	19,430	840	1,515	12,082	13,866	10,074	50,636	74,576
1961-62—										
July .. ..	10,456	4,501	18,386	797	1,430	11,558	11,253	9,467	49,043	69,763
August .. ..	11,404	4,411	18,890	819	1,865	12,591	12,223	9,360	51,407	72,990
September ..	12,773	4,765	14,468	814	1,655	12,826	13,587	10,100	43,163	66,850
October .. ..	11,936	4,599	15,527	841	1,474	13,205	12,777	8,714	47,167	68,658
November ..	10,694	4,751	17,257	583	1,294	12,551	11,277	9,199	49,520	69,996
December ..	10,680	4,733	16,108	544	1,694	11,264	11,224	8,366	42,304	61,894
January .. ..	11,633	6,823	22,191	795	1,515	14,289	12,428	12,224	57,389	82,041
February ..	11,361	5,588	17,636	546	1,168	12,491	11,907	10,452	46,806	69,165
March .. ..	11,725	5,809	21,079	670	1,517	12,886	12,395	11,070	54,099	77,564
April .. ..	10,065	5,927	18,912	757	1,333	13,221	10,822	10,230	50,074	71,126
May .. ..	13,231	8,130	25,353	1,020	1,609	14,461	14,251	14,534	62,030	90,815
June .. ..	14,498	7,004	21,838	607	1,537	12,226	15,105	12,216	54,363	81,684
1962-63 p—									r	r
July .. ..	12,847	7,507	24,720	598	1,774	14,961	13,445	13,729	61,910	89,084
August .. ..	13,494	7,717	28,213	759	1,177	16,576	14,253	13,559	69,617	97,429
September ..	13,427	7,691	24,578	673	1,661	15,157	14,100	12,535	60,892	87,527
October .. ..	12,583	7,920	27,106	678	1,548	16,227	13,261	14,097	66,020	93,378
November ..	14,376	8,604	26,163	1,054	1,531	16,066	15,430	14,821	64,848	95,099
December ..	11,373	5,576	20,431	687	1,222	12,665	12,060	9,576	53,103	74,739
January .. ..	13,603	8,937	29,123	825	1,945	17,326	14,428	16,019	72,932	103,379
February ..	12,771	6,494	22,459	773	1,513	12,167	13,544	11,054	53,961	78,559
March .. ..	12,599	6,395	22,873	763	1,427	13,143	13,362	12,202	55,384	80,948
April .. ..	11,673	7,003	27,956	695	1,570	14,278	12,368	13,179	66,734	92,281
May .. ..	14,105	7,372	28,795	820	1,421	13,769	14,925	13,433	67,439	95,797
June .. ..	15,300	7,134	24,819	1,064	1,833	14,249	16,364	12,404	61,869	90,637
1963-64 p—										
July .. ..	14,819	8,455	29,019	822	1,401	15,122	15,641	13,828	70,234	99,703
August .. ..										96,400
September ..										89,200

*(a)* See note (c), page 16. *(b)* See note (a) page 17. *(c)* See note (g) page 16.

NOTE.—Class II. consists entirely of goods "simply transformed", and Classes IV., V. and VII. entirely of goods "more elaborately transformed". Class III. is about equally divided between goods "simply" and "more elaborately transformed".

# EXPORTS OF MERCHANDISE: PRINCIPAL COMMODITIES

(£A'000 f.o.b. Port of Shipment.)

Period.	Meats.	Butter.	Wheat and Flour.	Fresh Fruits.	Dried Fruits.	Sugar and Sugar Syrups.	Hides and Skins.	Wool.	Lead.	Total Exports of Merchandise.
<b>Monthly Average—</b>										
1953-54 .. ..	4,817	1,338	5,053	782	616	2,639	1,620	34,202	2,004	67,655
1954-55 .. ..	5,291	2,049	5,461	731	703	2,604	1,642	29,426	2,070	63,170
1955-56 .. ..	5,039	2,414	5,513	762	650	2,070	1,740	28,127	2,106	64,236
1956-57 .. ..	4,250	2,152	6,811	715	549	2,407	2,022	40,310	2,684	81,083
1957-58 .. ..	4,602	1,303	3,570	1,089	762	2,919	2,116	31,116	1,829	67,525
1958-59 .. ..	8,100	2,079	4,309	785	1,062	2,687	1,964	25,187	1,580	67,226
1959-60 .. ..	7,386	2,387	6,402	775	756	2,228	2,648	32,180	1,358	77,163
1960-61 .. ..	6,022	1,638	10,117	864	758	2,930	2,266	27,871	1,361	77,337
1961-62 .. ..	7,472	1,962	13,384	1,114	863	2,828	2,679	31,044	1,575	88,990
1962-63 .. ..	9,405	1,984	10,346	1,250	795	3,794	3,073	31,636	1,465	89,167
<b>Monthly Total—</b>										
<b>1960-61—</b>										
June .. ..	7,977	929	13,675	2,216	2,003	3,165	2,671	30,982	1,412	97,315
<b>1961-62—</b>										
July .. ..	7,077	799	15,466	445	1,113	2,854	2,748	27,939	1,395	85,870
August .. ..	7,939	1,251	14,594	296	1,893	2,707	3,050	18,053	1,071	77,071
September .. ..	7,095	2,109	15,825	129	1,257	7,137	2,714	18,092	1,088	81,172
October .. ..	8,769	1,785	13,399	184	931	2,517	3,050	36,677	2,033	95,604
November .. ..	7,974	4,734	11,929	210	152	2,014	3,101	43,593	1,121	100,908
December .. ..	7,260	2,834	6,473	87	271	3,304	2,304	37,059	1,546	82,966
January .. ..	8,130	3,102	15,439	110	152	1,887	2,153	38,150	1,249	94,960
February .. ..	7,255	1,503	12,793	257	304	875	2,404	32,053	1,909	85,902
March .. ..	7,618	1,010	10,992	1,824	588	3,131	2,401	33,591	1,729	89,188
April .. ..	5,837	1,356	11,626	3,084	867	2,595	2,422	32,015	1,517	86,289
May .. ..	6,997	1,876	18,511	4,232	2,081	2,085	2,908	28,358	1,746	100,853
June .. ..	7,712	1,179	13,570	2,512	746	2,823	2,896	26,944	2,503	87,102
<b>1962-63 p—</b>										
July .. ..	10,008	666	13,377	516	727	2,509	2,985	25,618	1,720	79,698
August .. ..	10,114	995	7,612	207	1,502	6,657	3,323	16,418	1,113	73,470
September .. ..	9,860	2,303	5,985	103	1,683	6,879	3,203	21,493	1,660	73,940
October .. ..	9,888	1,496	4,964	334	1,315	3,981	3,609	33,782	1,368	85,964
November .. ..	12,426	3,323	7,882	215	453	3,688	3,337	43,442	1,506	102,167
December .. ..	8,285	2,732	4,341	151	463	4,911	2,389	37,582	1,490	87,016
January .. ..	10,766	5,497	9,571	108	193	1,377	2,984	38,059	1,212	94,999
February .. ..	7,486	688	14,548	96	502	4,973	2,925	31,508	1,688	90,465
March .. ..	7,983	1,483	14,255	1,146	557	2,570	2,897	36,370	1,178	95,741
April .. ..	7,549	1,031	15,562	3,550	421	3,246	2,698	32,662	1,313	91,529
May .. ..	8,953	1,337	13,984	5,159	797	2,303	3,532	33,826	1,229	101,448
June .. ..	9,541	2,255	12,070	3,410	932	2,428	2,993	28,872	2,097	93,561
<b>1963-64 p—</b>										
July .. ..	12,076	3,406	15,256	1,034	1,037	8,960	3,740	36,639	2,186	117,177
August .. ..										95,397
September .. ..										103,200

## EXPORT PRICE INDEX

The table below sets out Export Price Index numbers on the reference base: Year 1959-60 = 100. This current Export Price Index was first published for August, 1962, and has been compiled for each month from July, 1959. It replaced the previous Export Price Index which was published on the reference base: Average of 3 years ended June, 1939 = 100.

A full description of the current index and its relationship with the previous index is given in Statistical Bulletin S.B. 134 of 8th October, 1962. Index numbers of the previous Export Price Index, converted to the base: Year 1959-60 = 100 are set out on page 21.

(Base of each Index: Year 1959-60 = 100.)

Period.	Wool.	Meats.	Dairy Produce.	Cereals.	Dried and Canned Fruits.	Sugar.	Hides and Tallow.	Metals and Coal.	Gold.	All Groups.
<b>1959-60 .. ..</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>
1960-61 .. ..	92	104	82	99	99	101	92	97	100	95
1961-62 .. ..	97	100	81	106	95	91	84	91	100	96
1962-63 .. ..	104	p101	88	107	p90	p107	72	89	100	p101
<b>1961-62—</b>										
July .. ..	(a) 99	101	78	100	100	110	90	93	100	98
August .. ..	99	101	78	101	98	102	92	93	101	98
September ..	98	100	78	101	98	94	90	91	100	96
October .. ..	94	103	77	102	96	90	86	90	100	94
November ..	92	100	79	102	95	87	83	91	100	93
December ..	92	99	84	105	96	89	83	91	100	94
January .. ..	92	101	83	107	95	87	83	90	100	94
February ..	98	101	83	108	93	82	82	91	100	97
March .. ..	99	97	83	107	93	84	81	91	100	97
April .. ..	99	97	82	111	93	90	81	90	100	98
May .. ..	99	97	82	112	93	85	79	90	100	98
June .. ..	99	97	86	112	92	87	78	90	100	98
<b>1962-63—</b>										
July .. ..	98	99	85	112	90	86	76	89	100	97
August .. ..	92	101	85	112	91	88	75	86	100	94
September ..	92	102	85	111	91	86	74	87	100	94
October .. ..	96	102	85	109	91	92	74	86	100	96
November ..	98	102	88	110	91	91	74	88	100	97
December ..	101	p101	88	105	91	94	74	88	100	p 98
January .. ..	112	p101	88	105	91	p 93	73	88	100	p104
February ..	110	p101	88	104	91	p109	70	91	100	p104
March .. ..	112	p 99	90	104	89	p128	69	91	100	p105
April .. ..	112	p 98	90	104	88	p121	69	91	100	p105
May .. ..	112	p100	90	104	88	p128	68	90	100	p105
June .. ..	115	p102	93	103	p89	p165	68	95	100	p109
<b>1963-64—</b>										
July .. ..	114	p103	94	103	p92	p164	67	p94	100	p109
August .. ..	110	p103	94	102	p93	p165	66	p96	100	p107

(a) Nominal.

## EXPORT PRICE INDEX

PREVIOUS EXPORT PRICE INDEX NUMBERS CONVERTED TO BASE: YEAR 1959-60 = 100

(See notes at top of page 20.)

Year.	Wool.	Wheat.	Butter.	Metals.	Meats.	Sugar.	Dried Fruits.	Tallow.	Hides.	All Groups Excl. Gold.	Gold.	All Groups.
1950-51 ..	235	130	86	161	48	91	65	118	206	176	99	173
1951-52 ..	133	131	92	189	61	103	87	149	133	126	103	125
1952-53 ..	145	134	99	118	73	111	85	119	101	128	104	128
1953-54 ..	145	123	103	105	78	106	82	106	92	126	101	125
1954-55 ..	127	107	99	119	80	98	77	116	60	115	100	114
1955-56 ..	109	97	102	131	82	100	82	117	65	105	100	105
1956-57 ..	136	98	79	127	85	111	91	118	66	118	100	117
1957-58 ..	111	107	69	93	77	115	98	122	66	102	100	102
1958-59 ..	85	105	73	90	91	105	110	122	92	89	100	90
1959-60 ..	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100

## EXPORT PRICE INDEX AND INDEXES OF VALUES OF EXPORTS AND IMPORTS AT CONSTANT PRICES

Period.	Export Price Index (a) (Base: Year 1959-60 = 100).		Indexes of Values of Exports and Imports at Constant Prices (b) (Base: Year 1955-56 = 100).					
	All Groups Excl. Gold.	All Groups.	Exports.(c)					Imports.(c)
			Foodstuffs.	Wool and Sheepskins	Minerals, Metals and Metal Manufactures.(d)	Other Exports.	All Exports.	All Groups.
1955-56 ..	105	105	100	100	100	100	100	100
1956-57 ..	118	117	102	113	151	109	113	86
1957-58 ..	102	102	82	103	143	117	101	93
1958-59 ..	89	90	106	113	145	120	115	94
1959-60 ..	100	100	108	124	152	129	122	110
1960-61 ..	94	95	120	120	175	152	129	130
1961-62 ..	96	96	143	126	214	168	145	106
1962-63p ..	101	101	136	123	199	188	142	129
1962-63—			p	p	p	p	p	p
July ..	97	97	136	93	178	171	124	131
August ..	94	94						
September ..	94	94						
October ..	96	96						
November ..	97	97	118	154	222	195	153	126
December ..	p 98	p 98						
January ..	p104	p104						
February ..	p104	p104						
March ..	p105	p105	142	131	179	196	147	128
April ..	p105	p105						
May ..	p105	p105						
June ..	p109	p109						
1963-64—			147	115	217	192	144	131
July ..	p109	p109						
August ..	p107	p107						

(a) Current index linked to previous index at year 1959-60. (b) These indexes are calculated largely by a direct revaluation at base year prices of quantities of goods exported and imported, or, where this is impracticable, by dividing values by appropriate price indexes. See half-yearly issue of "The Australian Balance of Payments, 1960-61, 1961-62 and First-Half 1962-63," for full description. (c) Excludes gold. (d) Excludes machinery.

# WHOLESALE PRICE (BASIC MATERIALS AND FOODSTUFFS) INDEX

Commodities in this index are priced in their primary or basic form wherever possible. The prices used have, in the main, been obtained directly from manufacturers and merchants. With a few important exceptions they are from Melbourne sources. The weighting system adopted is based on estimates of the average annual consumption of the commodities in Australia during the years 1928-29 to 1934-35 inclusive.

(Base of each Index: Average of three years ended June, 1939=100.)

Period.	Basic Materials.							Food-stuffs and Tobacco. (b)	Basic Materials & Foodstuffs.		
	Metals and Coal. (a)	Oils, Fats and Waxes.	Textiles.	Chemicals.	Rubber and Hides.	Building Materials.	Total.		Goods principally Imported (c)	Goods principally Home Produced (b)	Total All Groups (b)
1953-54 ..	388	222	566	323	191	363	332	308	271	339	319
1954-55 ..	391	214	510	314	246	372	330	315	277	340	322
1955-56 ..	404	220	456	317	328	415	345	325	292	352	334
1956-57 ..	409	241	520	344	302	463	367	324	311	357	344
1957-58 ..	398	238	437	349	280	453	355	325	301	355	339
1958-59 ..	392	231	362	327	293	423	340	332	283	358	336
1959-60 ..	395	225	403	331	379	431	347	348	281	375	348
1960-61 ..	399	222	387	331	341	439	346	372	278	394	360
1 61-62 ..	392	212	400	333	302	439	340	332	270	363	336
1962-63 ..	388	209	432	317	262	439	336	342	272	368	340
1961-62—											
July ..	393	217	407	333	307	439	343	350	275	377	347
August ..	393	217	407	333	322	439	343	342	274	371	343
September ..	393	214	402	333	329	439	342	335	272	366	338
October ..	393	212	391	333	314	439	340	324	271	357	332
November ..	393	211	385	333	297	439	339	322	272	354	330
December ..	393	211	385	333	286	439	339	326	270	358	332
January ..	393	211	386	333	292	439	339	329	268	361	334
February ..	390	211	402	333	288	439	339	329	267	362	334
March ..	390	211	410	334	297	439	340	328	269	360	333
April ..	390	211	410	334	304	439	340	327	267	361	333
May ..	392	211	410	334	299	439	340	330	271	361	334
June ..	389	211	410	333	293	439	339	337	269	367	338
1962-63—											
July ..	389	211	405	317	290	439	337	342	269	370	340
August ..	387	211	390	317	284	439	335	346	270	371	341
September ..	389	210	390	317	281	439	336	342	270	367	339
October ..	389	210	400	317	274	439	336	342	272	367	339
November ..	387	208	405	317	268	439	334	337	272	363	336
December ..	387	208	420	317	267	439	335	340	272	365	338
January ..	387	208	458	317	259	439	337	343	274	368	340
February ..	389	208	454	317	249	439	337	341	272	368	339
March ..	389	208	465	316	246	439	338	340	273	366	339
April ..	389	209	464	316	250	439	338	338	273	365	338
May ..	387	209	464	316	246	439	337	343	272	369	340
June ..	385	209	474	316	231	r444	337	354	271	r378	346
1963-64—											
July ..	385	209	r468	316	227	r449	r338	359	271	r382	r349
August ..	383	209	458	283	223	462	336	359	274	380	348

(a) Special purpose index for the "Metals and Coal" group excluding Coal and Briquettes for August, 1963, is 432.  
 (b) During 1956 these indexes were reconstructed from the base period by excluding potatoes and onions. For July and August, 1963, index numbers for these groups comparable with the previous indexes including potatoes and onions are: "Foodstuffs and Tobacco," 351 and 353; "Goods Principally Home Produced", r376 and 375; "Total All Groups", r345 and 345.  
 (c) Represents only such imported commodities as are included in the Wholesale Price Index and does not measure changes in prices of all imports.



## PRICE INDEXES: VARIOUS COUNTRIES

Source: *Monthly Bulletin of Statistics* of the Statistical Office of the United Nations.

The index numbers show fluctuations in prices in each country and do not measure relative price levels as between countries.

A short dash on each side of an index number (e.g., -95-) indicates that two series have been linked at that period. A line between two index numbers indicates that it is not possible to link two series (because of change in scope, etc.) and therefore the index numbers are not comparable with each other even though they are shown on the same base period.

### WHOLESALE PRICE INDEXES

(Base of Each Index: Year 1958=100.)

The items priced and the levels at which they are priced in these indexes vary widely according to the intended purposes of the indexes of the various countries.

Period.	Australia.	Canada.	France.	Federal Republic of Germany.	Japan (Tokyo).	New Zealand.	South Africa. (a)	United Kingdom.	United States of America.
<b>1958</b> .. ..	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>
1959 .. ..	101	101	105	99	101	102	100	101	100
1960 .. ..	107	101	107	100	102	102	101	101	100
1961 .. ..	103	102	110	102	103	102	101	100	100
1962 .. ..	100	105	113	103	101	102	101	100	100
<b>Quarter—</b>									
1962—March ..	100	104	112	103	103	101	101	101	100
June ..	100	105	113	103	101	102	101	100	100
September	101	106	112	103	101	102	101	99	100
December	101	106	114	103	101	102	103	100	100
1963—March ..	101	107	116	104	102	103	102	101	100
June ..	102	107	116	104			102	101	100

(a) Beginning 1961, base : November, 1960 = 100.

### CONSUMER (RETAIL) PRICE INDEXES

(Base of Each Index: Year 1958 = 100.)

Period.	Australia. (a)	Canada.	France (Paris).	Federal Republic of Germany.	Japan.	New Zealand.	South Africa. (b)	United Kingdom.	United States of America.
<b>1958</b> .. ..	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>-100-</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>
1959 .. ..	102	101	106	101	101	104	101	101	101
1960 .. ..	106	102	110	102	105	105	103	102	102
1961 .. ..	108	103	114	105	110	106	105	105	103
1962 .. ..	108	104	119	109	118	109	106	-110-	105
<b>Quarter—</b>									
1962—March ..	108	104	117	107	116	108	105	-108-	104
June ..	108	104	118	109	117	109	106	110	104
September	108	105	119	109	118	110	107	110	105
December	108	105	121	109	120	110	107	110	105
1963—March ..	108	106	123	112	124	110	107	112	105
June ..	109	106	125	112		111	107	112	105

(a) Consumer Price Index converted to base : 1958=100.

(b) European families' expenditure.

# CONSUMER PRICE INDEX

The Consumer Price Index was first published in August, 1960. It has been compiled for periods from September quarter, 1948. A full description of the Consumer Price Index is contained in Labour Report, No. 48, 1960.

## GROUP INDEXES: WEIGHTED AVERAGE OF SIX CAPITAL CITIES

(Base of each index: Year 1952-53=100.0.)

Period.				Food.	Clothing and Drapery.	Housing.	Household Supplies and Equipment.	Miscellaneous.	All Groups.
<b>Year ended June—</b>									
1954..	..	..	..	103.5	100.7	104.8	101.6	99.9	102.0
1955..	..	..	..	104.3	101.0	108.4	101.4	99.9	102.6
1956..	..	..	..	110.2	102.0	115.1	101.6	105.9	106.9
1957..	..	..	..	115.3	103.9	122.1	105.8	118.0	113.1
1958..	..	..	..	113.3	107.0	127.3	107.5	119.7	114.2
1959..	..	..	..	115.4	108.2	130.6	108.7	121.2	116.0
1960..	..	..	..	119.8	109.4	135.2	109.8	123.9	118.9
1961..	..	..	..	127.7	111.6	144.8	111.2	127.3	123.8
1962..	..	..	..	125.5	112.8	150.7	112.7	128.1	124.3
1963..	..	..	..	124.3	113.2	155.0	112.4	128.8	124.5
<b>Quarter—</b>									
1956-57—	March	..	..	112.9	104.2	122.3	107.0	118.6	112.6
	June	..	..	113.8	105.6	124.5	107.1	119.3	113.7
1957-58—	September	..	..	113.4	106.2	125.6	107.6	119.6	113.9
	December	..	..	112.1	106.7	127.0	108.0	119.6	113.7
	March	..	..	113.9	106.7	127.6	107.1	119.6	114.3
	June	..	..	113.9	108.2	128.8	107.3	119.8	114.8
1958-59—	September	..	..	113.7	108.2	129.2	107.9	120.1	114.9
	December	..	..	114.6	108.4	130.4	108.7	121.3	115.8
	March	..	..	116.3	108.1	130.9	108.9	121.5	116.3
	June	..	..	117.1	107.9	131.9	109.1	121.9	116.8
1959-60—	September	..	..	117.9	108.3	132.5	109.4	122.3	117.3
	December	..	..	118.4	109.2	133.9	109.6	123.0	118.0
	March	..	..	120.3	109.5	134.8	110.0	123.8	119.0
	June	..	..	122.6	110.5	139.4	110.2	126.4	121.1
1960-61—	September	..	..	126.0	110.7	141.4	110.6	126.7	122.5
	December	..	..	126.7	111.5	144.1	111.0	127.2	123.3
	March	..	..	128.6	111.7	145.7	111.3	127.5	124.2
	June	..	..	129.4	112.4	148.0	111.9	127.7	125.0
1961-62—	September	..	..	128.1	112.4	148.5	112.6	127.9	124.8
	December	..	..	125.3	112.9	150.5	112.7	128.3	124.3
	March	..	..	124.7	112.9	151.0	112.7	128.0	124.1
	June	..	..	123.7	112.9	152.6	112.8	128.2	124.0
1962-63—	September	..	..	124.2	113.0	153.3	112.8	128.4	124.3
	December	..	..	124.3	113.2	154.7	112.4	128.7	124.4
	March	..	..	124.1	113.2	155.3	112.1	129.0	124.5
	June	..	..	124.5	113.4	156.8	112.4	129.2	124.9

# CONSUMER PRICE INDEX

See note at top of page 24. The indexes shown below measure price movements in each State capital city individually and for the weighted average of the six capital cities. They do not compare price levels as between cities.

## ALL GROUPS: SIX CAPITAL CITIES SEPARATELY AND COMBINED

(Base of each index: Year 1952-53=100.0.)

Period.	Sydney.	Melbourne.	Brisbane.	Adelaide.	Perth.	Hobart.	Six Capital Cities. (Weighted Average.)
<b>Year ended June—</b>							
1954 .. ..	101.6	102.0	102.0	102.3	103.0	105.0	102.0
1955 .. ..	102.3	102.0	102.9	103.5	105.2	104.9	102.6
1956 .. ..	105.7	108.1	106.3	106.9	107.9	110.2	106.9
1957 .. ..	112.9	114.0	112.0	111.1	112.9	116.9	113.1
1958 .. ..	114.5	114.4	114.4	111.9	113.6	117.0	114.2
1959 .. ..	115.3	116.6	118.2	114.5	114.7	118.7	116.0
1960 .. ..	117.8	120.0	121.2	118.0	116.9	120.8	118.9
1961 .. ..	122.1	125.9	125.4	122.9	121.2	127.5	123.8
1962 .. ..	122.6	126.3	127.3	122.5	121.6	128.1	124.3
1963 .. ..	123.2	126.2	127.7	122.1	122.2	128.0	124.5
<b>Quarter—</b>							
1956-57—March ..	112.6	113.3	111.7	110.2	113.2	116.7	112.6
June ..	113.7	114.2	112.6	111.3	114.2	117.5	113.7
1957-58—September ..	114.0	114.4	112.8	111.9	114.0	116.7	113.9
December ..	113.9	114.2	113.7	111.6	113.0	116.9	113.7
March ..	115.0	114.2	115.0	111.5	113.2	117.1	114.3
June ..	115.1	114.6	115.9	112.7	114.1	117.3	114.8
1958-59—September ..	114.8	114.9	116.7	113.5	114.4	117.7	114.9
December ..	115.2	116.4	117.9	114.2	114.3	118.7	115.8
March ..	115.5	117.1	119.0	115.0	114.7	119.1	116.3
June ..	115.8	117.9	119.1	115.3	115.5	119.3	116.8
1959-60—September ..	116.3	118.2	120.2	116.3	115.9	119.7	117.3
December ..	117.2	118.8	120.8	116.9	115.7	120.1	118.0
March ..	118.2	119.8	121.6	118.3	117.1	120.8	119.0
June ..	119.6	123.0	122.3	120.6	119.0	122.6	121.1
1960-61—September ..	120.8	124.9	123.6	121.5	119.8	125.8	122.5
December ..	121.6	125.5	125.1	122.4	120.8	127.1	123.3
March ..	122.5	126.1	126.7	123.4	121.9	128.3	124.2
June ..	123.4	127.1	126.1	124.3	122.4	128.9	125.0
1961-62—September ..	123.1	126.8	127.0	123.5	121.7	129.1	124.8
December ..	122.5	126.5	127.1	122.5	121.3	128.3	124.3
March ..	122.4	125.9	127.7	122.1	121.5	127.5	124.1
June ..	122.3	125.9	127.3	121.9	121.8	127.5	124.0
1962-63—September ..	122.7	126.2	127.5	121.9	122.1	127.6	124.3
December ..	123.2	126.2	127.6	121.9	121.7	128.2	124.4
March ..	123.3	126.0	127.8	121.9	122.3	128.0	124.5
June ..	123.7	126.4	127.9	122.5	122.8	128.2	124.9

## SHARE PRICE INDEX

This index relates to ordinary shares of the principal companies (excluding banks) listed on the Sydney Stock Exchange, whose business in New South Wales is extensive. The prices of individual shares are unweighted and each group average is the mean of the average monthly prices per £1 of paid-up capital. Adjustments are made for changes in the capital structure of the companies. The total index is the average of all the shares included in the groups with the addition of thirty-four miscellaneous shares.

### INDEX OF PRICES OF SHARES ON SYDNEY STOCK EXCHANGE

(Base of each Index: Average of 3 years ended June, 1939 = 1,000.)(a)

Period.			Twenty-three Manufac- turing and Distributing Companies.	Ten Retail Companies.	Four Pastoral and Finance Companies.	Four Insurance Companies.	Total Seventy-five Companies.	Thirty-four Active Shares included in foregoing.
1953-54 .. ..	..	..	1,784	1,534	1,385	2,217	1,475	1,443
1954-55 .. ..	..	..	1,943	1,885	1,555	2,184	1,626	1,598
1955-56 .. ..	..	..	2,038	2,178	1,751	2,142	1,726	1,649
1956-57 .. ..	..	..	2,031	1,960	1,807	2,489	1,707	1,653
1957-58 .. ..	..	..	2,188	1,972	1,886	2 827	1,836	1,803
1958-59 .. ..	..	..	2,411	2,002	1,597	3,117	1,966	1,978
1959-60 .. ..	..	..	3,188	2,702	2,382	4,245	2,718	2,743
1960-61 .. ..	..	..	3,223	2,866	2,095	4,888	2,787	2,855
1961-62 .. ..	..	..	3,359	2,872	1,915	5,620	2,949	2,932
1962-63 .. ..	..	..	3,278	3,021	2,050	5,922	2,988	2,943
1961-62—								
July .. ..	..	..	3,260	2,807	1,882	5,272	2,799	2,878
August .. ..	..	..	3,202	2,759	1,845	5,251	2,782	2,865
September ..	..	..	3,237	2,739	1,829	5,267	2,809	2,863
October .. ..	..	..	3,243	2,731	1,767	5,337	2,829	2,838
November ..	..	..	3,230	2,768	1,778	5,493	2,857	2,864
December ..	..	..	3,211	2,765	1,829	5,416	2,857	2,839
January .. ..	..	..	3,349	2,879	1,889	5,531	2,969	2,914
February ..	..	..	3,536	3,030	1,954	5,659	3,122	3,046
March .. ..	..	..	3,559	3,045	2,085	5,694	3,113	3,046
April .. ..	..	..	3,513	3,056	2,061	5,670	3,072	3,005
May .. ..	..	..	3,549	3,028	2,044	6,440	3,143	3,078
June .. ..	..	..	3,412	2,861	2,018	6,408	3,037	2,946
1962-63—								
July .. ..	..	..	3,394	2,841	1,968	6,130	3,030	2,944
August .. ..	..	..	3,339	2,866	1,976	6,164	3,011	2,927
September ..	..	..	3,211	2,840	1,901	5,851	2,907	2,836
October .. ..	..	..	3,181	2,922	1,938	5,770	2,908	2,850
November ..	..	..	3,240	2,960	2,052	5,902	2,952	2,884
December ..	..	..	3,255	2,961	2,067	5,863	2,948	2,896
January .. ..	..	..	3,370	3,073	2,100	5,988	3,035	3,002
February ..	..	..	3,356	3,146	2,115	5,999	3,056	3,016
March .. ..	..	..	3,242	3,157	2,105	5,861	3,000	2,954
April .. ..	..	..	3,245	3,158	2,128	5,856	2,992	2,960
May .. ..	..	..	3,255	3,168	2,117	5,841	3,004	3,014
June .. ..	..	..	3,245	3,156	2,131	5,833	3,020	3,035
1963-64—								
July .. ..	..	..	3,367	3,182	2,212	5,831	3,104	3,101
August .. ..	..	..	3,496	3,273	2,299	6,125	3,223	3,207

(a) Converted from original base, par values.

# WEEKLY WAGE RATES AND HOURS OF WORK: ADULT MALES

Date.	New South Wales.	Victoria.	Queensland.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Australia.	
							Rates.	Index Nos. (Base 1954 = 100 0).

## WEIGHTED AVERAGE MINIMUM WEEKLY RATES OF WAGE.(a)

			s.	d.	s.	d.	s.	d.	s.	d.	s.	d.	s.	d.	
30th June—															
1952 .. ..	267	1	254	7	250	5	252	7	260	5	255	4	259	2	91.8
1953 .. ..	284	10	274	7	260	1	270	6	279	6	280	2	276	9	98.0
1954 .. ..	287	8	278	8	269	7	273	7	283	9	283	9	281	0	99.5
1955 .. ..	298	2	290	7	278	1	284	4	292	5	292	0	291	6	103.2
1956 .. ..	311	10	305	9	292	2	295	10	305	3	311	11	305	7	108.2
1957 .. ..	324	0	315	9	302	10	306	5	317	9	319	0	316	8	112.1
1958 .. ..	329	7	319	1	310	9	312	0	319	6	322	11	321	7	113.9
1959 .. ..	338	3	330	8	326	10	328	0	327	2	333	3	332	9	117.8
1960 .. ..	356	6	349	6	344	8	341	10	350	4	349	8	350	11	124.3
1961 .. ..	366	10	350	6	357	4	342	4	362	5	352	4	357	11	126.7
1961—															
31st July .. ..	372	1	360	4	359	8	354	4	364	11	362	6	364	9	129.2
31st August .. ..	373	9	362	2	359	8	354	5	365	0	362	8	365	10	129.5
30th September .. ..	373	9	362	2	359	8	354	5	365	0	362	9	365	11	129.6
31st October .. ..	373	9	362	1	359	8	354	5	363	8	362	8	365	9	129.5
30th November .. ..	373	3	362	1	359	9	354	6	363	9	362	10	365	8	129.5
31st December .. ..	373	4	362	1	359	10	354	7	363	9	362	10	365	8	129.5
1962—															
31st January .. ..	373	3	363	2	359	10	354	7	363	9	362	10	366	0	129.6
28th February .. ..	372	9	363	2	359	10	354	8	363	9	362	10	365	9	129.5
31st March .. ..	372	8	363	3	359	10	354	8	363	9	362	10	365	9	129.5
30th April .. ..	372	8	363	4	359	10	354	8	363	9	362	10	365	10	129.5
31st May .. ..	372	9	363	4	359	10	354	8	363	10	362	10	365	10	129.5
30th June .. ..	372	8	363	4	359	10	355	3	363	10	362	10	365	10	129.5
31st July .. ..	372	9	363	4	359	8	355	3	364	0	362	11	365	10	129.5
31st August .. ..	372	1	363	4	359	8	355	3	364	0	363	0	365	7	129.4
30th September .. ..	372	0	363	4	359	8	355	3	364	0	363	4	365	7	129.4
31st October .. ..	372	1	363	4	359	8	355	3	364	3	363	4	365	7	129.4
30th November .. ..	373	1	363	6	359	8	356	1	364	3	363	7	366	1	129.6
31st December .. ..	373	1	363	6	359	8	356	2	365	2	364	3	366	3	129.7
1963—															
31st January .. ..	373	3	363	7	359	8	356	3	365	2	364	5	366	4	129.7
28th February .. ..	374	3	363	8	359	8	356	5	365	2	364	5	366	9	129.9
31st March .. ..	374	3	363	8	359	8	356	6	365	4	364	5	366	9	129.9
30th April .. ..	376	8	366	3	360	8	359	8	366	9	366	7	369	0	130.7
31st May .. ..	378	6	367	6	363	3	360	9	367	7	368	5	370	8	131.2
30th June .. ..	378	8	368	5	364	10	360	10	368	5	368	11	371	4	131.5

## WEIGHTED AVERAGE STANDARD WEEKLY HOURS OF WORK.(b)

30th June, 1963 .. ..	39.95	39.97	39.98	39.96	39.89	39.97	39.96	100.0
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(a) For a full week's work (excluding overtime), as prescribed in awards, determinations and agreements. Excludes rural. Rates shown should not be regarded as actual current averages, but as indexes expressed in money terms, indicative of trends. They do not measure the relative level of minimum wages as between States. (b) Excluding rural, and shipping and stevedoring.



# WEEKLY WAGE RATES: ADULT MALES, AUSTRALIA(a)

## COMPONENTS OF TOTAL WAGE RATES

Date.	Commonwealth Awards, etc.(b)				State Awards, etc.(c)				All Awards, etc.			
	Basic Wage.(d)	Margin.(e)	Load-ing.(f)	Total Wage.	Basic Wage	Margin.(e)	Load-ing.(f)	Total Wage.	Basic Wage.	Margin.(e)	Load-ing.(f)	Total Wage.

## WEIGHTED AVERAGE MINIMUM WEEKLY RATES OF WAGE.(a)

	s.	d.	s.	d.	s.	d.	s.	d.	s.	d.	s.	d.	s.	d.
30th June—														
1952 ..	216	3	38	6	3	8	258	5	216	8	37	5	5	10
1953 ..	234	9	39	0	3	4	277	1	233	7	38	11	4	0
1954 ..	237	4	39	2	3	4	279	10	237	9	40	0	4	6
1955 ..	237	4	52	1	2	4	291	9	237	8	48	9	4	9
1956 ..	248	6	53	0	2	4	303	10	250	7	51	6	5	7
1957 ..	258	4	54	3	2	5	315	0	259	9	53	3	5	4
1958 ..	263	0	54	5	2	6	319	11	264	5	54	8	4	2
1959 ..	277	1	55	1	2	7	334	9	270	8	55	6	4	5
1960 ..	277	5	69	9	3	2	350	4	279	5	67	3	5	1
1961 ..	278	8	70	5	3	8	352	9	289	6	68	7	5	6
1961—														
31st July ..	289	7	70	5	3	6	363	6	291	10	68	7	5	6
31st Aug. ..	289	9	70	6	3	6	363	9	293	11	68	9	5	5
30th Sept. .	289	9	70	6	3	6	363	9	293	11	68	9	5	5
31st Oct. .	289	9	70	7	3	6	363	10	293	9	68	9	5	5
30th Nov. .	289	9	70	7	3	6	363	10	293	5	68	10	5	4
31st Dec. .	289	9	70	7	3	6	363	10	293	5	68	11	5	3
1962—														
31st Jan. .	289	9	70	7	3	10	364	2	293	5	68	11	5	6
28th Feb. .	289	8	70	8	3	9	364	1	293	0	68	11	5	6
31st March	289	8	70	8	3	9	364	1	293	0	68	11	5	6
30th April. .	289	8	70	8	3	10	364	2	293	0	69	0	5	5
31st May ..	289	8	70	8	3	10	364	2	293	0	69	1	5	6
30th June ..	289	8	70	9	3	10	364	3	293	0	69	1	5	5
31st July ..	289	7	70	10	3	10	364	3	293	0	69	0	5	6
31st Aug. .	289	6	70	10	3	10	364	2	292	8	69	0	5	5
30th Sept. .	289	6	70	10	3	10	364	2	292	8	69	0	5	5
31st Oct. .	289	6	70	10	3	10	364	2	292	8	69	1	5	5
30th Nov. .	289	7	70	11	4	1	364	7	293	0	69	3	5	6
31st Dec. .	289	7	71	0	4	1	364	8	293	1	69	4	5	6
1963—														
31st Jan. .	289	7	71	0	4	1	364	8	293	1	69	5	5	7
28th Feb. .	289	8	71	2	4	0	364	10	293	5	69	5	5	11
31st March	289	8	71	3	4	0	364	11	293	5	69	4	6	0
30th April. .	289	8	75	2	4	2	369	0	293	7	69	5	6	0
31st May ..	289	9	77	2	4	2	371	1	294	5	69	10	6	0
30th June ..	289	9	77	4	4	2	371	3	294	5	70	10	6	1

(a) Weighted averages of minimum weekly rates payable for a full week's work (excluding overtime), as prescribed in awards, determinations and agreements. Excludes rural.

(b) Awards of, or agreements registered with, the Commonwealth Conciliation and Arbitration Commission, and determinations of the Commonwealth Public Service Arbitrator.

(c) Awards or determinations of, or agreements registered with, State industrial tribunals, and certain unregistered agreements.

(d) Because of differences in the coverage and the method of weighting, these rates differ from the "Six Capitals" Commonwealth basic wage rates shown on page 29.

(e) Margins are minimum amounts, in addition to the basic wage, prescribed in awards, etc., as payable to particular classifications for skill, experience, arduousness and other like factors.

(f) Loadings are minimum amounts, in addition to the basic wage and margin (if any), awarded for various kinds of disabilities associated with the performance of work, or to meet particular circumstances. They include payments such as industry loadings and other general loadings prescribed in awards, etc., for the occupations included in the Minimum Wage Rate Index.

# BASIC WAGES: WEEKLY RATES, ADULT MALES

Date	Sydney.	Melbourne.	Brisbane.	Adelaide.	Perth.	Hobart.	Six Capitals.
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## COMMONWEALTH BASIC WAGE. (a)

	<i>s.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>s.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>s.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>s.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>s.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>s.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>s.</i>	<i>d.</i>
1947—November ..	112	0	109	0	105	0	106	0	106	0	107	0	109	0
1948—November ..	122	0	120	0	115	0	116	0	116	0	118	0	119	0
1949—November ..	132	0	130	0	125	0	126	0	129	0	128	0	129	0
1950—November ..	146	0	143	0	135	0	137	0	139	0	139	0	142	0
December ..	165	0	162	0	154	0	158	0	160	0	160	0	162	0
1951—November ..	207	0	199	0	185	0	195	0	197	0	199	0	200	0
1952—November ..	237	0	228	0	216	0	229	0	228	0	230	0	231	0
1953—February ..	238	0	229	0	215	0	225	0	229	0	232	0	231	0
May ..	241	0	232	0	217	0	228	0	231	0	239	0	234	0
August ..	243	0	235	0	218	0	231	0	236	0	242	0	236	0
1956—June ..	253	0	245	0	228	0	241	0	246	0	252	0	246	0
1957—15th May ..	263	0	255	0	238	0	251	0	256	0	262	0	256	0
1958—21st May ..	268	0	260	0	243	0	256	0	261	0	267	0	261	0
1959—11th June ..	283	0	275	0	258	0	271	0	276	0	282	0	276	0
1961—7th July ..	295	0	287	0	270	0	283	0	288	0	294	0	288	0

## STATE BASIC WAGE.

	<i>s.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>s.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>s.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>s.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>s.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>s.</i>	<i>d.</i>	
	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)	(f)	(c)							
1958—September ..	274	0	263	0	254	0	256	0	272	3	272	0	..
December ..	273	0	263	0	256	0	256	0	273	5	272	0	..
1959—March ..	275	0	263	0	260	0	256	0	273	5	272	0	..
June ..	276	0	275	0	263	0	271	0	275	1	272	0	..
September ..	277	0	275	0	263	0	271	0	278	7	282	0	..
December ..	279	0	275	0	267	0	271	0	281	6	282	0	..
1960—March ..	283	0	275	0	269	0	271	0	281	6	282	0	..
June ..	285	0	275	0	271	0	271	0	286	4	282	0	..
September ..	288	0	275	0	273	0	271	0	292	3	282	0	..
December ..	294	0	275	0	276	0	271	0	294	7	282	0	..
1961—March ..	297	0	275	0	280	0	271	0	296	7	282	0	..
June ..	299	0	275	0	284	0	271	0	299	3	282	0	..
September ..	302	0	287	0	284	0	283	0	300	6	294	0	..
December ..	301	0	287	0	284	0	283	0	298	9	294	0	..
1962—March ..	300	0	287	0	284	0	283	0	298	9	294	0	..
June ..	300	0	287	0	284	0	283	0	298	9	294	0	..
September ..	299	0	287	0	284	0	283	0	298	9	294	0	..
December ..	300	0	287	0	284	0	283	0	298	9	294	0	..
1963—March ..	301	0	287	0	284	0	283	0	298	9	294	0	..
June ..	302	0	287	0	286	0	283	0	300	3	294	0	..
August ..	(g) 303	0	(h) 287	0	(i) 286	0	(j) 283	0	(k) 301	6	(l) 294	0	..

(a) Automatic adjustment in accordance with variations in retail price index numbers discontinued as from 12th September, 1953. Rates operative from beginning of first pay-period commencing in month shown or commencing on or after the date shown. (b) Automatic quarterly adjustments operative. Up to June, 1963, rates payable from beginning of first pay-period in month prior to that shown. (c) Automatic adjustments discontinued. Commonwealth rates adopted during 1959.

(d) Determined by State industrial tribunal—to March, 1961, after considering retail price index numbers; thereafter, only after a full inquiry. (e) Rates same as Commonwealth basic wage rates. (f) Determined each quarter by State industrial tribunal, after considering retail price index numbers. (g) Payable from first pay period August, 1963.

(h) During July and August, 1961, Wages Boards adopted the Commonwealth basic wage rate. (i) Payable from 6th May, 1963. (j) 10th July, 1961. (k) Payable from 29th July, 1963. (l) Most Wages Boards adopted the Commonwealth basic wage rate from July, 1961.

## AVERAGE WEEKLY TOTAL WAGES AND SALARIES PAID AND AVERAGE EARNINGS(a)

The following figures are derived from employment and wages and salaries recorded on Pay-roll Tax returns, from other direct collections and from estimates of the unrecorded balance. Pay of members of the Defence Forces is not included. The figures are not seasonally adjusted. A seasonally adjusted quarterly index of average weekly earnings is published on page 2. The figures are subject to revision.

Period.	New South Wales.(b)	Victoria.	Queensland.	South Australia.(c)	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Australia.
AVERAGE WEEKLY TOTAL WAGES AND SALARIES PAID (£'000).							
1957-58 .. ..	21,664	15,510	6,585	4,635	3,284	1,671	53,349
1958-59 .. ..	22,414	16,240	6,970	4,823	3,347	1,725	55,519
1959-60 ... ..	24,816	18,123	7,441	5,392	3,618	1,878	61,268
1960-61 .. ..	26,823	19,204	7,819	5,661	3,886	1,969	65,362
1961-62 .. ..	27,335	19,552	7,940	5,844	4,044	2,040	66,755
1960-61—							
December Quarter ..	28,276	20,204	8,188	5,868	4,003	2,002	68,541
March .. ..	25,649	18,518	7,271	5,497	3,691	1,945	62,571
June .. ..	27,073	19,065	7,840	5,639	3,972	2,040	65,629
1961-62—							
September .. ..	26,351	18,975	8,009	5,671	3,964	1,919	64,889
December .. ..	28,489	20,169	8,156	5,973	4,111	2,052	68,950
March .. ..	26,137	19,024	7,451	5,701	3,937	2,021	64,271
June .. ..	28,364	20,040	8,143	6,032	4,163	2,170	68,912
1962-63—							
September .. ..	27,569	19,849	8,318	6,001	4,193	2,007	67,937
December .. ..	29,834	21,053	8,623	6,319	4,348	2,066	72,243
March .. ..	27,302	20,120	7,746	5,994	4,103	2,040	67,305

AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS PER EMPLOYED MALE UNIT (£).(d)							
1957-58 .. ..	20.44	20.22	17.94	18.68	18.05	18.95	19.67
1958-59 .. ..	21.04	20.69	18.63	19.10	18.19	19.33	20.19
1959-60 .. ..	22.77	22.28	19.89	20.61	19.46	20.71	21.76
1960-61 .. ..	24.03	23.32	21.00	21.33	20.57	21.42	22.86
1961-62 .. ..	24.51	23.96	21.79	21.96	21.27	22.43	23.48
1960-61—							
December Quarter ..	25.14	24.42	21.88	22.05	21.07	21.78	23.85
March .. ..	22.86	22.29	19.76	20.64	19.56	21.00	21.81
June .. ..	24.48	23.34	21.33	21.32	21.10	22.18	23.15
1961-62—							
September .. ..	23.94	23.52	21.79	21.58	21.06	21.22	23.04
December .. ..	25.60	24.78	22.65	22.47	21.72	22.57	24.34
March .. ..	23.30	23.13	20.65	21.30	20.64	21.92	22.51
June .. ..	25.18	24.43	22.07	22.47	21.67	23.50	24.03
1962-63—							
September .. ..	24.46	24.18	22.27	22.22	21.78	22.01	23.63
December .. ..	26.24	25.38	23.37	23.27	22.40	22.50	24.97
March .. ..	23.87	23.93	21.05	21.88	21.04	21.85	23.09

(a) Includes, in addition to wages at award rates, earnings of salaried employees, overtime earnings, over-award and bonus payments, etc. (b) Includes the Australian Capital Territory. (c) Includes the Northern Territory.

(d) Total wages and salaries, etc. divided by total civilian employment expressed in male units. Male units represent total male employment plus a proportion of female employment based on the approximate ratio of female to male earnings. As it is not possible to estimate the ratio of female to male earnings in the several States, the same ratio has been used for each State. Because the actual ratio may vary between States, precise comparisons between average earnings in different States cannot be made on the basis of the figures above.

NOTE.—Comparisons as to trend should be made for complete years or corresponding periods of incomplete years. Quarterly totals and averages are affected by seasonal influences.

# BUILDING APPROVALS(a): AUSTRALIA

Period.	Houses and Flats.						Other New Buildings.		Alterations (b) and Additions.		Total.
	Private. (c)		Government. (c)		Total.		Private. (c)	Government. (c)	Private. (c)	Government. (c)	
	Number. (d)	Value.	Number. (d)	Value.	Number. (d)	Value.	Value.		Value.		Value.
Monthly		£'000.		£'000.		£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.
Average—											
1954-55 ..	5,622	15,408	1,563	3,700	7,185	19,108	6,301	3,507	3,849	537	33,302
1955-56 ..	5,268	15,367	1,047	2,633	6,315	18,000	8,169	4,986	4,179	806	36,140
1956-57 ..	5,189	15,342	1,122	2,862	6,311	18,204	6,564	3,251	3,991	831	32,841
1957-58 ..	5,846	17,606	1,181	3,173	7,027	20,779	7,193	4,007	4,374	789	37,142
1958-59 ..	6,308	19,108	1,190	3,188	7,498	22,296	8,639	4,503	4,906	970	41,314
1959-60 ..	7,587	23,581	1,066	3,031	8,653	26,612	11,251	5,673	5,827	947	50,310
1960-61 ..	6,446	21,324	1,355	3,709	7,801	25,033	11,947	6,666	5,752	781	50,179
1961-62 ..	5,886	19,941	1,180	3,333	7,066	23,274	11,372	7,676	5,789	720	48,831
1962-63 ..	6,623	22,862	1,237	3,480	7,860	26,342	12,463	8,844	6,522	655	54,826
Monthly Total—											
1961-62—											
July ..	5,818	19,498	1,197	3,323	7,015	22,821	8,720	5,393	5,568	1,189	43,691
August ..	6,950	23,891	775	2,362	7,725	26,253	14,745	6,193	6,774	648	54,613
September	5,540	18,732	1,483	4,369	7,023	23,101	12,156	11,201	6,277	484	53,219
October ..	6,066	20,615	1,099	3,143	7,165	23,758	7,888	11,496	6,124	467	49,733
November	6,394	21,485	1,014	3,045	7,408	24,530	15,142	7,650	6,530	356	54,208
December	4,397	14,721	1,531	4,319	5,928	19,040	9,854	6,881	4,020	202	39,997
January ..	4,842	16,360	517	1,604	5,359	17,964	8,295	6,548	4,682	1,148	38,637
February	5,551	18,855	921	2,536	6,472	21,391	11,693	6,115	5,178	457	44,834
March ..	6,474	21,870	1,005	2,836	7,479	24,706	11,908	9,313	7,041	907	53,875
April ..	5,781	19,465	1,443	4,011	7,224	23,476	11,525	8,514	5,418	583	49,516
May ..	6,723	22,964	1,772	4,541	8,495	27,505	15,663	5,220	6,344	908	55,640
June ..	6,094	20,838	1,404	3,909	7,498	24,747	8,873	7,585	5,513	1,287	48,005
1962-63—											
July ..	7,167	24,542	1,106	3,018	8,273	27,560	16,610	10,995	6,627	746	62,538
August ..	7,338	25,917	920	2,532	8,258	28,449	14,844	4,699	7,426	386	55,804
September	6,631	22,759	2,354	5,361	8,985	28,120	9,977	9,827	7,580	944	56,448
October ..	7,076	24,197	1,200	3,361	8,276	27,558	14,745	7,942	7,850	566	58,661
November	6,697	22,974	1,187	3,507	7,884	26,481	11,964	8,831	6,739	597	54,612
December	4,780	16,684	694	2,003	5,474	18,687	10,829	5,096	4,881	818	40,311
January ..	5,457	19,109	468	1,334	5,925	20,443	r11,438	13,055	5,052	675	r50,663
February	6,208	21,248	1,209	3,595	7,417	24,843	r9,365	6,492	5,454	553	r46,707
March ..	6,807	23,231	1,140	3,310	7,947	26,541	r11,997	7,052	6,167	705	r52,462
April ..	6,594	22,723	1,630	5,167	8,224	27,890	11,416	11,240	6,548	417	57,511
May ..	7,867	27,441	1,319	3,870	9,186	31,311	13,864	11,517	7,446	641	64,779
June ..	6,852	23,517	1,615	4,705	8,467	28,222	12,502	9,384	6,492	818	57,418
1963-64—											
July ..	7,656	27,041	1,809	5,674	9,465	32,715	12,491	7,245	7,104	533	60,088
August ..	8,120	28,524	1,421	4,159	9,541	32,683	15,645	10,630	7,456	679	67,093

(a) Includes permits issued by local government authorities and contracts let, work commenced and day labour projects authorized by government authorities. (b) In all States, except New South Wales, additions of £5,000 and over are included with new buildings.

(c) Building is classified as "Government" or "Private" according to ownership. (d) Number of individual living units.

# BUILDING APPROVALS

## VALUE OF TOTAL BUILDING APPROVED(a)

(Including alterations and additions.)

(£'000.)

Period.	New South Wales.	Victoria.	Queensland.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Northern Territory.	Australian Capital Territory.	Australia.
<b>Monthly Average—</b>									
1954-55 ..	12,093	9,506	3,537	3,266	3,103	1,044	172	581	33,302
1955-56 ..	13,529	11,065	3,879	3,862	2,250	1,033	154	368	36,140
1956-57 ..	11,973	9,748	3,851	3,025	2,350	1,280	108	506	32,841
1957-58 ..	13,332	11,414	4,414	3,584	2,334	1,112	202	750	37,142
1958-59 ..	15,426	12,623	4,542	3,911	2,357	1,150	219	1,086	41,314
1959-60 ..	19,488	14,993	5,455	4,428	2,889	1,631	312	1,114	50,310
1960-61 ..	18,773	13,825	6,118	5,568	3,006	1,272	249	1,368	50,179
1961-62 ..	18,785	13,137	5,377	4,699	3,319	1,575	329	1,610	48,831
1962-63 ..	20,454	15,370	6,081	5,395	3,586	1,559	403	1,978	54,826
<b>Monthly Total—</b>									
1961-62—									
July ..	18,102	10,455	4,997	3,559	3,214	1,776	693	895	43,691
August ..	22,352	13,955	5,374	5,391	3,409	2,587	183	1,362	54,613
September ..	22,017	12,457	5,069	5,577	4,145	1,921	126	1,907	53,219
October ..	21,122	13,062	5,119	3,594	4,067	1,191	363	1,215	49,733
November ..	21,886	13,603	5,021	6,592	3,160	1,150	291	2,505	54,208
December ..	15,062	10,653	4,697	3,559	3,373	1,474	167	1,012	39,997
January ..	17,184	10,740	3,587	2,718	2,203	1,159	325	721	38,637
February ..	13,662	13,664	5,165	6,117	2,929	1,428	332	1,537	44,834
March ..	19,280	13,511	6,920	4,186	3,545	2,557	459	3,417	53,875
April ..	20,637	14,024	5,569	4,381	2,752	897	207	1,049	49,516
May ..	17,970	17,114	6,471	6,541	3,585	1,477	315	2,167	55,640
June ..	16,140	14,410	6,531	4,171	3,451	1,286	481	1,535	48,005
1962-63—									
July ..	26,078	16,326	6,572	6,523	4,359	1,556	72	1,052	62,538
August ..	19,784	17,652	6,408	4,647	3,779	1,685	429	1,420	55,804
September ..	21,246	15,991	5,039	8,372	3,172	1,378	301	949	56,448
October ..	21,401	16,818	6,182	6,860	4,017	1,373	439	1,571	58,661
November ..	22,780	14,483	5,116	4,358	2,781	1,289	352	3,453	54,612
December ..	16,383	11,321	4,083	3,117	2,886	1,117	470	934	40,311
January ..	22,968	11,523	5,970	4,177	2,596	1,380	113	1,936	50,663
February ..	15,283	13,515	5,913	4,289	3,257	1,449	870	2,131	46,707
March ..	16,008	16,156	7,011	5,611	4,262	1,701	278	1,435	52,462
April ..	19,276	17,694	6,660	4,589	4,032	2,188	224	2,848	57,511
May ..	21,942	20,144	7,912	5,155	4,051	1,906	435	3,234	64,779
June ..	22,294	12,822	6,111	7,042	3,842	1,685	847	2,775	57,418
1963-64—									
July ..	20,911	15,721	7,146	8,164	4,056	1,290	455	2,345	60,088
August ..	28,431	15,488	8,016	4,413	7,304	1,666	278	1,497	67,093

(a) See note (a) page 31.



# BUILDING APPROVALS

## NUMBER OF NEW HOUSES AND FLATS APPROVED(a)

(Individual living units.)

Period.	New South Wales.	Victoria.	Queensland.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Northern Territory.	Australian Capital Territory.	Australia.
<b>Monthly Average—</b>									
1954-55 ..	2,490	2,013	838	752	751	234	27	80	7,185
1955-56 ..	2,127	1,881	809	678	518	222	24	56	6,315
1956-57 ..	2,309	1,760	825	584	525	229	14	65	6,311
1957-58 ..	2,505	2,008	907	780	482	212	27	106	7,027
1958-59 ..	2,929	2,066	952	708	455	219	31	138	7,498
1959-60 ..	3,484	2,422	1,039	777	537	228	37	129	8,653
1960-61 ..	3,058	1,966	993	892	510	202	32	148	7,801
1961-62 ..	2,720	1,784	896	711	574	220	39	122	7,066
1962-63 ..	2,892	2,169	863	898	622	220	35	161	7,860
<b>Monthly Total—</b>									
<b>1961-62—</b>									
July ..	2,968	1,630	949	603	505	217	13	130	7,015
August ..	3,029	2,016	996	610	558	278	30	208	7,725
September ..	2,613	1,668	815	1,101	554	213	12	47	7,023
October ..	2,836	1,883	960	487	619	219	60	101	7,165
November ..	2,861	1,848	865	784	684	228	45	93	7,408
December ..	2,204	1,616	619	591	572	211	30	85	5,928
January ..	2,234	1,217	684	484	426	149	42	123	5,359
February ..	2,121	1,857	828	675	660	183	81	67	6,472
March ..	2,733	1,966	973	629	722	293	60	103	7,479
April ..	3,199	1,614	901	670	494	200	24	122	7,224
May ..	3,131	2,013	940	1,300	603	238	31	239	8,495
June ..	2,711	2,077	1,222	602	486	215	43	142	7,498
<b>1962-63—</b>									
July ..	3,211	2,306	898	763	616	237	10	232	8,273
August ..	3,318	2,108	960	802	592	210	70	198	8,258
September ..	2,862	2,115	786	2,239	583	234	23	143	8,985
October ..	2,829	2,639	948	695	765	222	93	85	8,276
November ..	2,963	2,417	852	690	489	229	23	221	7,884
December ..	2,137	1,602	604	447	428	141	28	87	5,474
January ..	2,355	1,552	658	561	489	202	6	102	5,925
February ..	2,734	1,938	938	681	602	229	39	256	7,417
March ..	2,720	2,191	1,091	730	682	303	29	201	7,947
April ..	3,059	2,623	755	741	735	183	21	107	8,224
May ..	3,400	2,581	997	969	755	258	32	194	9,186
June ..	3,112	1,950	868	1,458	730	196	49	104	8,467
<b>1963-64—</b>									
July ..	3,108	2,390	1,001	1,690	716	206	112	242	9,465
August ..	3,607	2,473	1,333	799	875	222	49	183	9,541

(a) See note (a), page 31.

# VALUE (WHEN COMPLETED) OF NEW BUILDINGS: AUSTRALIA

(Including Estimated Value of Owner-built Houses.)

(£'000.)

Period.	Commenced.			Completed.			Under Construction at end of period.		
	Houses and Flats.	Other.	Total.	Houses and Flats.	Other.	Total.	Houses and Flats.	Other.	Total.
<b>Quarterly Average—</b>									
1958-59 .. ..	63,698	44,395	108,093	65,919	45,074	110,993	159,682	193,771	353,453
1959-60 .. ..	73,164	57,814	130,978	71,371	50,415	121,786	170,924	227,532	398,456
1960-61 .. ..	74,801	63,204	138,005	78,429	60,276	138,705	160,839	246,344	407,183
1961-62 .. ..	70,023	65,934	135,957	74,146	59,257	133,403	148,418	281,386	429,804
1962-63 .. ..	76,506	67,377	143,883	76,277	67,188	143,465	152,436	290,745	443,181
<b>Quarterly Total—</b>									
<b>1960-61—</b>									
Dec. Qtr. ..	81,331	67,965	149,296	85,532	63,723	149,255	176,479	250,719	427,198
Mar. " ..	67,307	57,911	125,218	73,790	63,747	137,537	171,417	246,124	417,541
June " ..	64,361	59,898	124,259	75,753	61,376	137,129	160,839	246,344	407,183
<b>1961-62—</b>									
Sept. " ..	72,378	62,276	134,654	73,932	57,363	131,295	160,349	252,874	413,223
Dec. " ..	65,031	61,550	126,581	77,559	66,609	144,168	148,802	250,112	398,914
Mar. " ..	69,701	67,009	136,710	69,177	55,744	124,921	150,199	262,994	413,193
June " ..	72,981	72,900	145,881	75,917	57,310	133,227	148,418	281,386	429,804
<b>1962-63—</b>									
Sept. " ..	78,719	64,036	142,755	72,537	64,496	137,033	155,290	285,406	440,696
Dec. " ..	75,138	66,951	142,089	81,643	63,067	144,710	149,317	291,903	441,220
Mar. " ..	72,955	66,673	139,628	71,029	66,895	137,924	152,487	292,923	445,410
June " ..	79,210	71,850	151,060	79,899	74,294	154,193	152,436	290,745	443,181

## VALUE OF NEW BUILDINGS COMPLETED

(Including Estimated Value of Owner-built Houses.)

(£'000.)

Period.	New South Wales.	Victoria.	Queensland.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Northern Territory.	Australian Capital Territory.	Australia.
<b>Quarterly Average—</b>									
1958-59 .. ..	39,960	34,359	11,250	11,099	7,566	3,362	647	2,750	110,993
1959-60 .. ..	44,436	37,041	12,551	11,910	7,530	3,951	640	3,727	121,786
1960-61 .. ..	52,297	40,788	14,826	13,467	9,006	4,253	779	3,289	138,705
1961-62 .. ..	52,011	37,044	13,763	13,079	8,509	4,182	876	3,939	133,403
1962-63 .. ..	51,598	41,696	14,087	15,140	10,804	4,266	1,109	4,765	143,465
<b>Quarterly Total—</b>									
<b>1960-61—</b>									
Dec. Qtr. ..	53,334	42,146	18,062	15,845	10,617	4,513	538	4,200	149,255
Mar. " ..	54,369	40,196	14,976	12,373	8,479	3,894	729	2,521	137,537
June " ..	55,119	37,850	12,669	13,335	8,132	5,356	1,166	3,502	137,129
<b>1961-62—</b>									
Sept. " ..	49,314	40,881	14,132	11,405	7,134	4,125	728	3,576	131,295
Dec. " ..	56,839	39,237	14,073	14,679	9,199	4,474	743	4,924	144,168
Mar. " ..	48,425	33,796	13,824	11,712	7,689	4,468	990	4,017	124,921
June " ..	53,465	34,261	13,025	14,519	10,014	3,660	1,042	3,241	133,227
<b>1962-63—</b>									
Sept. " ..	46,300	43,187	14,642	11,959	12,739	4,244	992	2,970	137,033
Dec. " ..	50,725	40,429	13,278	19,094	11,547	3,847	1,413	4,377	144,710
Mar. " ..	54,148	36,443	12,634	13,314	9,503	4,041	799	7,042	137,924
June " ..	55,220	46,725	15,793	16,193	9,425	4,932	1,232	4,673	154,193

# NUMBER OF NEW HOUSES AND FLATS(a)

(Including Owner-built Houses.)

Period.	New South Wales.	Victoria.	Queensland.	South Australia	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Northern Territory.	Australian Capital Territory.	Australia.
COMMENCED									
Quarterly Average—									
1958-59 .. ..	7,372	6,067	2,222	2,219	1,368	692	83	399	20,422
1959-60 .. ..	8,453	6,681	2,570	2,431	1,565	635	106	395	22,836
1960-61 .. ..	8,808	5,797	2,588	2,460	1,512	594	104	359	22,222
1961-62 .. ..	7,571	5,385	2,439	2,334	1,702	660	122	404	20,617
1962-63 r ..	7,969	6,118	2,432	2,573	1,774	642	95	464	22,067
Quarterly Total—									
1960-61—Mar. Qtr.	8,571	4,484	2,626	2,181	1,339	583	95	257	20,136
June ..	7,623	4,467	2,344	2,399	1,402	538	137	279	19,189
1961-62—Sept. ..	8,033	5,510	2,674	2,504	1,669	664	117	376	21,547
Dec. ..	7,272	5,160	2,209	1,919	1,562	630	97	323	19,172
Mar. ..	7,357	5,417	2,293	2,251	1,841	638	148	403	20,348
June ..	7,623	5,453	2,578	2,660	1,737	709	127	516	21,403
1962-63—Sept. ..	8,345	6,265	2,562	2,682	1,755	604	86	603	22,902
Dec. ..	8,256	5,810	2,368	2,562	1,665	578	128	402	21,769
Mar. ..	7,425	5,951	2,166	2,480	1,605	689	100	433	20,849
June .. r	7,849	6,447	2,630	2,569	2,073	696	68	417	22,749
COMPLETED									
Quarterly Average—									
1958-59 .. ..	7,508	6,441	2,214	2,196	1,514	677	89	401	21,040
1959-60 .. ..	8,352	6,555	2,481	2,395	1,565	668	85	404	22,505
1960-61 .. ..	9,099	6,569	2,651	2,566	1,603	665	101	362	23,616
1961-62 .. ..	8,087	5,760	2,517	2,432	1,587	638	99	446	21,566
1962-63 r ..	7,836	6,025	2,450	2,583	1,809	650	123	461	21,937
Quarterly Total—									
1960-61—Mar. Qtr.	9,502	5,571	2,320	2,231	1,496	552	80	287	22,039
June ..	8,879	5,861	2,401	2,563	1,523	699	101	320	22,347
1961-62—Sept. ..	8,168	5,777	2,505	2,325	1,549	591	75	481	21,471
Dec. ..	8,381	5,978	2,609	2,709	1,723	622	108	486	22,616
Mar. ..	7,619	5,285	2,356	1,964	1,384	643	111	426	19,788
June ..	8,181	5,999	2,598	2,731	1,691	695	102	391	22,388
1962-63—Sept. ..	7,591	5,499	2,401	2,490	1,917	642	122	397	21,059
Dec. ..	8,512	6,493	2,601	2,678	1,979	694	133	451	23,541
Mar. ..	7,488	5,485	2,393	2,379	1,584	551	111	412	20,403
June .. r	7,753	6,623	2,404	2,785	1,755	714	125	585	22,744
UNDER CONSTRUCTION AT END OF PERIOD									
1958-59 .. ..	18,103	17,906	3,361	5,603	3,527	2,088	177	1,394	52,159
1959-60 .. ..	18,501	18,409	3,716	5,749	3,529	1,957	262	1,354	53,477
1960-61 .. ..	17,336	15,321	3,464	5,325	3,167	1,672	274	1,342	47,901
1961-62 .. ..	15,272	13,822	3,150	4,930	3,629	1,762	367	1,176	44,108
1962-63 r ..	15,803	14,195	3,077	4,891	3,492	1,728	258	1,186	44,630
1960-61—Mar. Qtr.	18,592	16,715	3,521	5,489	3,288	1,833	238	1,383	51,059
June ..	17,336	15,321	3,464	5,325	3,167	1,672	274	1,342	47,901
1961-62—Sept. ..	17,201	15,054	3,633	5,504	3,287	1,745	316	1,237	47,977
Dec. ..	16,092	14,236	3,233	4,714	3,126	1,753	305	1,074	44,533
Mar. ..	15,830	14,368	3,170	5,001	3,583	1,748	342	1,051	45,093
June ..	15,272	13,822	3,150	4,930	3,629	1,762	367	1,176	44,108
1962-63—Sept. ..	16,026	14,588	3,311	5,122	3,467	1,724	331	1,382	45,951
Dec. ..	15,770	13,905	3,078	5,006	3,153	1,608	326	1,333	44,179
Mar. ..	15,707	14,371	2,851	5,107	3,174	1,746	315	1,354	44,625
June .. r	15,803	14,195	3,077	4,891	3,492	1,728	258	1,186	44,630

(a) Individual living units. Only new flats are included, i.e., the conversions of old buildings into flats are omitted. Figures for flats include "home units".

# PRODUCTION OF COAL, ENERGY AND METALS

Period.	Coal.		Heat, Light and Power.		Iron and Steel.			Gold. (Mine Production). (c)	Refined Metals.(a)			
	Black.	Brown.	Gas made in Gas works.	Total Electric- ity Gen- erated.	Pig Iron.	Ingot Steel. (b)	Tin- plate.		Lead. (d)	Copper.	Zinc. (e)	Alum- inum.
	'000 tons.	'000 tons.	million therms. (f)	million kWh.	'000 tons. (g)	'000 tons. (g)	tons. (g)	'000 fine oz.	tons.	tons.	tons.	tons.
<b>Monthly Average—</b>												
1953-54 ..	1,619	728	17.8	1,142	152.2	176.4	..	92.6	19,669	1,742	8,091	..
1954-55 ..	1,613	806	18.4	1,267	155.7	184.1	..	90.0	19,613	2,533	8,198	..
1955-56 ..	1,586	865	18.9	1,390	159.2	193.4	..	86.0	18,372	2,039	8,664	460
1956-57 ..	1,643	898	19.6	1,524	174.8	231.2	..	88.5	19,983	2,711	8,691	833
1957-58 ..	1,697	906	20.0	1,650	190.3	253.1	3,398	90.3	21,352	2,987	9,416	893
1958-59 ..	1,705	1,020	20.4	1,767	191.1	267.0	6,433	91.7	19,912	3,772	9,559	946
1959-60 ..	1,769	1,175	21.4	1,933	221.3	293.3	7,315	90.6	19,776	5,404	9,816	947
1960-61 ..	1,912	1,310	22.0	2,068	250.2	312.3	8,982	89.6	18,979	5,749	10,495	1,008
1961-62 p ..	2,036	1,394	22.2	2,204	281.7	339.6	8,915	89.3	19,213	5,314	12,812	n.a.
1962-63 p ..	2,025	1,481	22.4	2,434	283.3	355.5	17,512	89.4	23,868	7,120	14,654	n.a.
<b>Monthly Total—</b>												
1961-62 p—												
July ..	2,232	1,482	28.5	2,408	293.6	352.8	7,935	88.6	18,358	5,588	12,455	1,202
August ..	2,378	1,575	27.3	2,388	291.7	339.1	7,998	97.4	18,276	6,409	12,197	1,105
September ..	2,171	1,361	23.6	2,156	271.6	340.3	7,704	90.7	17,550	6,580	12,990	1,111
October ..	2,305	1,369	21.2	2,132	252.0	338.7	8,054	100.9	15,197	5,008	12,653	1,240
November ..	2,292	1,415	20.0	2,094	233.2	312.4	7,338	90.2	15,298	3,937	12,029	1,197
December ..	1,646	1,206	18.8	2,002	293.6	348.9	8,072	94.2	19,863	3,107	12,702	1,204
January ..	1,223	1,241	17.7	2,017	299.3	339.8	9,856	82.7	20,606	4,581	11,588	n.a.
February ..	2,082	1,267	17.2	1,986	268.8	309.2	8,091	82.8	17,862	4,662	11,115	n.a.
March ..	2,269	1,432	19.4	2,195	302.6	347.3	11,670	88.6	19,901	5,750	13,595	n.a.
April ..	1,535	1,265	20.3	2,109	298.3	355.5	11,315	74.6	23,363	5,015	14,657	n.a.
May ..	2,184	1,578	26.0	2,515	296.4	360.1	11,347	87.1	22,938	6,656	14,786	n.a.
June ..	2,115	1,538	26.3	2,448	275.3	327.7	14,191	94.0	21,348	6,476	12,975	n.a.
1962-63 p—												
July ..	2,323	1,636	28.4	2,629	292.6	358.8	16,193	95.4	24,655	7,324	14,423	n.a.
August ..	2,395	1,659	27.7	2,647	286.3	353.9	17,843	95.6	21,695	8,740	15,685	n.a.
September ..	2,059	1,473	23.3	2,339	262.8	340.7	16,711	95.7	23,975	7,794	14,924	n.a.
October ..	2,413	1,502	23.3	2,435	281.3	361.6	17,051	93.2	23,713	8,127	15,400	n.a.
November ..	2,326	1,402	19.9	2,298	275.2	364.9	18,132	88.2	23,090	7,809	13,638	n.a.
December ..	1,557	1,144	18.8	2,198	294.8	354.7	18,853	95.2	20,078	6,393	15,141	n.a.
January ..	1,364	1,339	17.6	2,194	297.3	361.2	19,463	83.3	26,959	6,542	15,110	n.a.
February ..	1,976	1,365	17.1	2,158	270.2	331.4	16,237	83.9	24,514	5,568	13,362	n.a.
March ..	2,018	1,407	19.5	2,397	300.4	363.2	19,233	87.2	26,084	7,054	13,431	n.a.
April ..	1,530	1,465	20.9	2,396	272.5	368.9	17,969	80.6	22,698	5,420	15,226	n.a.
May ..	2,304	1,629	24.8	2,727	290.5	378.7	18,266	80.2	23,692	7,606	15,857	n.a.
June ..	2,034	1,745	26.8	2,791	247.5	352.5	18,125	94.7	25,261	7,059	13,653	n.a.
1963-64 p—												
July ..	2,545	1,802	30.1	3,012	298.6	400.6	14,498	96.5	25,218	7,596	17,456	n.a.
August ..	2,228		28.3	2,858	343.3	425.7	13,057		26,972		15,585	n.a.

(a) Source: Bureau of Mineral Resources. (b) Includes recovery from scrap. (c) Gold content of minerals produced in Australia. (d) Includes lead content of antimonial lead and of lead-silver bullion produced for export. (e) Refined slab; includes small quantities of metal recovered from zinc dust used in works. (f) 1 Therm = 100,000 British Thermal Units. (g) Monthly averages for twelve months ended May.

# PRODUCTION OF BUILDING MATERIALS, BUILDING FITTINGS AND FLOOR COVERINGS

Period.	Building Materials.								Building Fittings.			Floor Coverings. <i>(b)</i>
	Clay Bricks.	Roofing Tiles.		Cement Building Sheets.	Sawn Native Timber. (a)	Port-land Cement.	Fibrous Plaster Sheets.	Hard-board.	Baths—C.I.P.E. and Other Metal.	Wash Basins—C.I.P.E. and Earthen-ware.	Sinks—Stainless Steel.	
		Terra-cotta.	Cement.									
	Million.	'000.	'000.	'000 sq. yds.	Million sup. ft.	'000 tons.	'000 sq. yds. (c)	'000 sq. yds	No.	No.	No.	'000 sq. yds.
Monthly Average—												
1953-54 ..	66.8	5,315	3,721	2,173	116.7	142	1,349	1,416	8,137	10,297	13,176	936
1954-55 ..	69.9	5,328	4,477	2,340	120.8	160	1,482	1,653	10,873	12,775	15,585	773
1955-56 ..	70.0	5,396	4,482	2,223	120.8	170	1,510	1,885	9,927	11,766	13,832	827
1956-57 ..	67.1	4,806	3,716	2,120	118.2	181	1,355	1,871	8,742	11,500	13,174	936
1957-58 ..	73.2	4,911	4,122	2,169	115.9	191	1,458	2,036	9,476	12,648	14,740	984
1958-59 ..	78.3	4,936	4,355	2,237	121.7	207	1,528	2,418	10,136	13,217	15,384	1,066
1959-60 ..	85.8	4,739	4,741	2,536	126.8	219	1,550	2,637	10,429	14,094	16,240	1 304
1960-61 ..	88.4	4,599	4,388	2,462	118.3	238	1,431	2,590	9,719	13,700	16,460	1,141
1961-62 ..	82.9	4,171	4,435	2,270	p109.8	232	1,278	2,379	9,171	13,327	14,285	1,087
1962-63 p ..	87.8	4,254	5,049	2,338	p112.2	r245	1,251	2,809	9,039	14,577	14,702	1,373
Monthly Total—												
1961-62—					p							
July ..	86.2	4,400	4,028	2,423	105.6	242	1,280	2,466	8,640	13,661	13,709	745
August ..	92.9	4,719	4,920	2,591	118.1	249	1,346	2,647	10,358	13,202	17,080	949
September ..	85.9	4,145	4,649	2,627	112.2	239	1,218	2,749	9,384	13,504	15,971	1,249
October ..	87.4	4,376	4,464	2,239	119.8	245	1,319	2,411	10,093	13,454	16,890	1,047
November ..	83.6	4,523	4,557	2,413	118.4	229	1,386	2,627	10,033	14,887	18,890	1,143
December ..	64.7	3,370	3,487	1,826	99.1	207	1,021	1,709	6,672	12,527	13,981	982
January ..	54.9	2,867	3,472	1,569	80.9	176	997	1,693	6,970	9,013	9,391	583
February ..	81.5	4,267	4,017	2,113	100.3	207	1,340	2,332	9,882	13,190	12,441	1,204
March ..	93.3	4,266	4,941	2,588	119.4	244	1,423	2,415	10,056	15,150	13,346	1,439
April ..	80.0	3,929	4,047	1,890	101.2	237	1,198	1,876	8,028	11,641	10,361	937
May ..	97.0	4,810	5,354	2,558	118.0	254	1,481	2,886	10,918	14,548	14,926	1,363
June ..	88.1	4,376	5,282	2,405	124.6	254	1,330	2,735	9,013	15,147	13,933	1,397
1962-63 p—												
July ..	96.7	4,529	5,027	2,413	122.4	269	1,337	2,686	9,019	16,606	16,499	1,419
August ..	95.9	4,813	4,964	2,334	121.2	254	1,362	2,877	9,226	15,864	15,867	1,447
September ..	89.7	4,383	4,791	2,997	115.8	247	1,254	2,637	8,963	15,811	13,675	1,558
October ..	98.6	5,071	5,692	2,559	126.9	262	1,395	2,820	12,275	15,663	16,104	1,598
November ..	97.4	4,316	5,665	2,542	128.3	268	1,396	3,035	11,317	16,724	16,975	1,629
December ..	70.0	3,528	3,975	2,068	108.0	216	1,008	2,445	7,698	11,760	11,784	1,196
January ..	62.2	2,836	3,843	1,501	81.9	158	951	2,157	6,709	10,152	10,066	775
February ..	86.1	4,162	5,067	2,376	102.4	232	1,244	2,795	9,298	13,997	13,732	1,273
March ..	89.2	4,080	5,945	2,432	111.1	273	1,332	3,080	9,056	14,623	15,733	1,418
April ..	86.4	4,201	4,875	2,006	94.4	245	1,232	2,871	8,546	14,508	14,577	1,222
May ..	95.9	3,856	5,589	2,546	120.8	265	1,329	3,215	9,409	14,186	17,617	1,451
June ..	86.6	4,281	5,160	2,274	113.0	255	1,173	3,094	6,870	12,791	13,795	1,484
1963-64 p—												
July ..	113.6	5,152	4,027	2,197	119.1	263	1,241	3,417	10,607	10,739	17,744	1,418
August ..	103.5					291		3,357				1,481

(a) Australian grown. Includes timber for sawn sleepers. Source (for 1961-62 and later periods): Commonwealth Forestry and Timber Bureau and Victorian Forests Commission. (b) Excludes underfelts and underlays. (c) From July, 1955, represents total production in all establishments and includes small quantities not previously recorded in some States.

# PRODUCTION OF HOUSEHOLD APPLIANCES, ELECTRIC MOTORS AND ENGINES

Period.	Domestic Cooking Stoves.			Domestic Refrigerators.	Domestic Clothes Washing Machines.	Radios and Radio-grams.	Television Sets.(c)	Room Air Conditioners. (d)	Electric Motors.		Internal Combustion Engines—Petrol. (e)
	Solid Fuel.	Gas(a)—Upright or Elevated.	Electric—Fixed Ranges. (b)						Under 1 h.p.	1 h.p. and over.	
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	'000.	'000.	No.
<b>Monthly Average—</b>											
1953-54 ..	4,198	3,587	3,098	22,874	12,188	36,581	..	n.a.	77.5	3.6	1,973
1954-55 ..	4,146	4,896	3,929	23,381	13,859	38,036	..	n.a.	93.6	5.0	3,801
1955-56 ..	3,942	4,758	3,984	20,613	13,797	38,168	220	169	87.9	5.1	8,382
1956-57 ..	3,834	4,550	4,323	16,293	12,035	30,524	10,103	282	74.9	4.7	15,042
1957-58 ..	3,603	4,663	4,588	16,327	13,675	31,729	23,536	390	88.8	5.1	15,527
1958-59 ..	3,288	5,531	5,315	18,316	15,016	31,526	26,368	1,061	105.9	5.8	24,186
1959-60 ..	3,071	6,634	6,192	19,763	16,823	33,549	36,508	3,339	131.9	8.5	24,326
1960-61 ..	2,644	6,097	5,769	18,293	16,295	37,899	26,331	5,602	145.9	9.3	15,348
1961-62 ..	2,409	5,639	6,355	17,657	19,018	30,736	24,569	2,423	135.6	6.8	16,933
1962-63 p ..	2,239	5,693	8,482	17,067	17,838	41,663	24,371	899	151.8	7.3	22,123
<b>Monthly Total—</b>											
<b>1961-62—</b>											
July ..	2,961	5,512	4,718	11,482	17,009	23,632	26,524	970	105.9	7.5	11,686
August ..	3,133	6,457	5,668	17,533	20,238	27,241	24,132	1,674	125.5	8.2	13,526
September ..	2,666	5,516	5,553	22,448	20,536	35,055	21,753	4,024	139.5	5.9	27,088
October ..	2,396	7,571	6,907	23,606	19,228	37,777	18,234	4,472	156.0	6.6	39,088
November ..	2,109	7,367	7,476	27,874	20,942	45,977	19,190	4,807	172.3	7.6	31,688
December ..	1,705	5,590	5,633	19,955	15,106	34,290	15,521	3,618	129.0	5.9	13,642
January ..	1,416	3,977	3,892	16,143	13,486	20,279	12,972	3,110	114.0	5.5	11,789
February ..	1,791	5,269	6,371	16,958	17,904	29,144	21,150	2,101	137.4	6.3	18,326
March ..	2,394	5,358	7,770	16,300	21,357	30,652	27,588	1,498	142.3	6.8	13,696
April ..	2,255	4,917	6,723	11,065	16,919	24,677	27,144	992	109.9	5.7	7,678
May ..	3,254	5,134	8,290	14,539	24,321	29,607	41,860	817	150.5	8.2	4,501
June ..	2,832	4,996	7,262	13,999	21,173	30,499	38,755	995	145.0	7.3	10,490
<b>1962-63 p—</b>											
July ..	2,990	5,551	8,473	17,290	20,407	31,013	37,387	688	142.4	5.7	18,102
August ..	3,025	5,656	8,080	23,040	21,346	37,889	31,218	558	157.3	7.8	23,887
September ..	2,553	5,673	7,826	21,682	19,784	41,879	21,231	1,248	174.8	6.3	34,848
October ..	2,467	8,172	10,177	27,307	19,244	50,403	23,567	1,363	178.9	7.7	39,924
November ..	2,409	7,024	9,998	23,593	17,857	70,711	25,510	1,541	190.1	9.0	31,977
December ..	1,908	5,531	8,014	15,537	13,061	53,599	18,139	1,199	124.1	6.3	22,585
January ..	1,324	4,032	6,102	14,233	12,318	36,589	15,708	1,160	107.9	5.0	20,564
February ..	1,561	5,558	8,732	13,832	15,413	42,161	20,644	1,212	134.2	8.2	22,669
March ..	1,912	5,313	8,294	13,054	18,359	43,093	24,644	536	153.2	8.4	16,225
April ..	1,951	5,319	8,426	9,706	15,620	32,243	22,354	492	132.4	7.0	11,516
May ..	2,487	5,224	9,848	12,822	21,252	33,783	29,137	423	175.1	9.5	9,804
June ..	2,281	5,263	7,814	12,709	19,390	26,588	22,914	362	151.3	6.7	13,270
<b>1963-64 p—</b>											
July ..	3,088	7,965	8,902	16,909	21,214	34,308	25,621	255	148.5	9.9	17,856
August ..				19,867	19,712	35,577	25,097		162.3	11.4	24,516

(a) Town or liquefied petroleum gas stoves or ranges with oven. (b) Having at least one hot plate and at least one oven separately heated with a total rating in excess of ten amperes but not more than fifteen kilowatts. Includes wall ovens. (c) Includes combinations with radio and/or record player. (d) Includes package unit air conditioners. (e) Excludes motor car, motor cycle, truck, tractor, aero, etc. and marine engines.



# PRODUCTION OF FOOD, DRINK AND TOBACCO

Period.	Wheaten Flour.	Refined Sugar. (a)	Whole Milk for all Purposes.	Dairy Products (Factory Production).			Meat (carcass weight).				Beer. (b)	Tobacco Cigars and Cigarettes. (c)
				Butter.	Cheese.	Pro-cessed Full Cream Milk Products.	Beef and Veal.	Mutton.	Lamb.	Pigmeat.		
	'000 short tons.	'000 tons.	Million gals.	Tons.	Tons.	'000 gals.(d)	'000 tons.	'000 tons.	'000 tons.	'000 tons.	'000 gals.	'000 lb.
<b>Monthly Average—</b>												
1953-54 ..	134.1	37.4	99.1	13,009	4,087	6,333	58.7	19.8	10.6	7.0	17,380	3,487
1954-55 ..	129.4	40.1	110.5	15,667	3,765	5,363	60.0	20.0	12.3	8.3	18,473	3,706
1955-56 ..	130.9	40.2	116.8	17,149	3,223	5,944	62.6	19.5	12.1	7.8	18,958	3,842
1956-57 ..	136.0	40.0	113.2	15,820	3,764	6,510	67.9	18.7	11.9	7.4	18,394	4,129
1957-58 ..	110.1	41.1	105.4	14,410	2,991	6,655	66.0	22.5	12.6	8.5	18,871	4,255
1958-59 ..	113.9	43.2	114.2	15,910	3,619	6,756	75.5	25.9	15.2	8.5	18,633	4,371
1959-60 ..	125.6	45.0	117.2	16,251	3,730	6,886	62.6	30.9	16.9	8.4	19,306	4,563
1960-61 ..	130.3	43.7	111.6	14,934	3,900	6,385	52.7	30.6	17.2	9.0	19,701	4,853
1961-62 ..	p126.1	46.1	120.3	16,438	4,623	6,502	65.9	30.7	18.2	10.0	p20,624	p4,626
1962-63 p ..	120.5	47.0	123.3	16,771	4,825	7,367	75.4	30.5	19.0	9.6	21,337	4,646
<b>Monthly Total—</b>												
1961-62—	p										p	p
July ..	128.4	45.1	79.1	8,699	3,091	4,157	70.7	26.3	15.4	9.1	17,307	4,378
August ..	148.4	48.6	109.5	13,959	4,843	6,643	68.0	27.2	17.6	9.5	19,157	5,268
September ..	130.0	47.3	143.4	20,206	6,357	8,973	62.3	29.9	20.4	10.1	20,097	4,248
October ..	120.5	56.3	178.0	26,518	7,730	10,560	57.4	34.9	24.6	10.2	24,170	4,806
November ..	128.6	38.8	177.8	26,848	7,347	10,029	59.9	35.4	22.6	11.0	25,577	5,002
December ..	103.8	49.0	168.9	25,529	6,463	9,394	54.7	32.3	18.6	10.3	24,849	4,946
January ..	123.0	46.0	151.0	22,483	5,433	7,899	59.9	32.2	17.7	9.3	22,004	4,388
February ..	132.3	47.0	118.1	16,612	3,965	5,869	59.8	32.2	16.4	9.6	18,651	4,536
March ..	131.6	51.2	103.6	13,597	3,206	4,828	67.3	33.9	17.1	10.6	20,732	4,465
April ..	99.4	p41.7	80.5	9,555	2,403	3,479	61.7	27.0	15.5	9.8	19,156	4,359
May ..	142.8	p46.7	68.8	7,041	2,200	3,128	83.4	31.5	17.4	11.5	19,874	4,802
June ..	124.5	p38.9	64.9	6,209	2,435	3,069	85.9	25.0	15.5	9.4	15,920	4,315
1962-63 p—												
July ..	125.2	43.7	81.6	8,974	3,327	4,474	82.3	26.1	15.8	9.5	18,685	4,588
August ..	133.0	50.7	114.7	14,721	5,160	7,181	87.2	27.3	16.4	10.3	20,392	5,146
September ..	116.5	50.1	141.1	19,358	6,606	9,481	77.2	30.4	20.0	9.1	20,281	3,816
October ..	128.5	54.2	178.3	26,213	7,854	11,470	70.7	33.9	27.1	10.9	25,268	5,214
November ..	123.2	63.4	174.1	25,681	7,454	11,058	72.3	35.6	25.5	10.8	24,748	5,079
December ..	100.2	39.3	166.8	24,638	6,676	10,651	61.4	31.9	22.0	9.9	26,028	4,669
January ..	117.4	43.8	155.5	22,999	5,754	9,022	64.9	33.3	18.3	8.4	23,317	4,561
February ..	120.2	42.2	128.5	18,177	4,499	7,612	67.6	31.2	16.3	9.6	20,051	4,332
March ..	127.7	49.7	110.0	14,495	3,535	6,280	75.5	31.4	16.8	9.7	21,239	4,446
April ..	109.3	39.4	90.3	11,312	2,640	4,761	68.6	27.9	16.9	9.3	21,188	4,658
May ..	130.7	46.0	72.6	7,919	2,059	3,359	88.9	31.7	17.7	10.2	19,398	5,051
June ..	113.7	41.0	66.7	6,769	2,335	3,052	87.8	25.0	15.5	8.1	15,451	4,188
1963-64 p—												
July ..	136.8	47.0	83.2	9,320	3,116	4,550	94.8	25.7	16.5	9.2	19,033	4,714
August ..		45.9									19,397	5,257

(a) Monthly averages are for the twelve months ended March. Production in April, 1962, and later months is as reported by the Department of Primary Industry. (b) Production in 1961-62 and later periods is as reported by the Department of Customs and Excise. From July, 1961, includes waste beer. (c) From July, 1961, represents the quantity on which excise duty was paid. (d) Whole milk equivalent.

# PRODUCTION OF CHEMICALS, MOTOR VEHICLES AND TYRES

Period.	Chemicals and Allied Products.						Motor Vehicle Bodies.(a)		Motor Vehicle Chassis.		Pneumatic Tyres—Motor Cycle, Car, Truck, Aero., etc.(e)
	Sulphuric Acid (100%).	Super-phosphate. (b)	Sulphate of Ammonia. (c)	Paints.		Soap.	Cars.	Utilities.	Car.(d)	Commercial Payload of One Ton and over.	
				Ready-mixed Paints and Enamels.	Lacquers, Nitro-cellulose.						
	'000 tons.	'000 tons.	'000 tons.	'000 gals.	'000 gals.	'000 cwt.	No.	No.	No.	No.	'000.
Monthly Average—											
1953-54 ..	61.0	148	5.90	657	109	104	5,514	2,088	12,173	1,103	241
1954-55 ..	69.6	163	6.54	812	123	108	6,002	2,245	15,295	1,422	293
1955-56 ..	74.7	177	6.28	890	125	109	6,391	1,969	16,736	1,775	303
1956-57 ..	73.2	165	9.24	906	121	103	6,230	1,804	14,850	1,308	287
1957-58 ..	82.6	185	9.89	924	130	109	8,129	2,370	18,643	1,293	317
1958-59 ..	82.2	177	9.79	951	133	104	(f)9,846	2,282	18,774	1,316	328
1959-60 ..	89.3	198	8.74	1,002	150	105	12,546	2,318	22,780	1,627	352
1960-61 ..	93.5	211	8.25	991	114	104	13,347	2,277	22,846	1,544	364
1961-62 ..	p94.7	216	8.81	1,034	109	98	12,735	1,907	20,144	1,200	333
1962-63 p ..	104.1	238	7.94	1,074	119	100	18,266	2,132	28,814	1,632	418
Monthly Total—											
1961-62—	p										
July ..	84.7	172	10.25	841	95	101	10,147	1,875	16,274	1,102	334
August ..	92.0	220	8.73	1,005	104	96	9,854	1,553	16,250	1,172	326
September ..	93.9	215	9.22	1,050	97	94	8,330	1,543	16,326	980	319
October ..	83.8	193	9.53	1,181	110	104	11,842	1,527	19,330	1,141	334
November ..	73.2	147	7.92	1,319	123	121	15,287	1,834	22,249	1,241	363
December ..	85.4	166	9.73	1,009	99	87	10,752	1,420	16,474	886	251
January ..	88.4	201	8.37	768	81	68	10,396	1,501	15,628	912	245
February ..	103.7	251	7.45	1,068	123	93	14,358	2,232	21,646	1,199	345
March ..	110.7	250	8.89	1,143	126	99	16,073	2,390	25,010	1,427	369
April ..	113.3	257	8.14	932	109	97	13,802	1,851	21,349	1,294	309
May ..	106.7	273	9.27	1,124	131	108	18,330	2,645	28,102	1,604	422
June ..	100.7	246	8.27	974	111	110	13,652	2,512	22,275	1,439	384
1962-63p—											
July ..	97.3	201	10.03	1,015	111	114	16,587	2,437	27,644	1,554	439
August ..	96.0	215	9.70	1,052	118	95	21,044	1,898	31,244	1,638	454
September ..	100.1	222	8.94	1,040	124	91	20,380	1,671	29,159	1,556	418
October ..	100.3	240	7.27	1,245	145	111	21,760	1,804	32,878	1,597	463
November ..	98.0	213	6.51	1,323	133	107	22,069	1,648	32,937	1,599	349
December ..	100.7	211	8.14	990	99	85	16,632	899	23,963	1,395	323
January ..	103.9	247	7.71	866	81	89	16,428	1,130	24,399	1,515	419
February ..	108.3	258	6.86	1,132	122	94	18,952	3,050	30,620	1,865	442
March ..	118.7	273	8.20	1,174	126	105	16,794	3,089	28,018	1,643	343
April ..	117.5	269	7.63	1,034	131	110	15,620	2,435	26,603	1,661	494
May ..	107.0	282	7.47	1,144	141	111	18,502	2,831	31,979	1,738	460
June ..	100.8	231	6.80	875	103	88	14,424	2,696	26,324	1,823	410
1963-64 p—											
July ..	90.9	197	8.26	1,150	123	113	17,402	3,308	32,037	1,885	458
August ..	106.5						17,867		31,343	1,783	

(a) Excludes those made, built or assembled wholly or mainly from imported panels. (b) Source: Department of Primary Industry.  
(c) Source: Nitrogen Fertilizers Pty. Ltd. from July, 1961. (d) Includes station wagons, estate cars, utilities, panel vans and similar commercial vehicles with a payload of under one ton. (e) Source: Department of Supply. (f) From July, 1958, includes station wagons.

# WOOL RECEIVALS AND PRODUCTION OF TEXTILES AND CLOTHING

Period.	Wool Received into Brokers' Stores. (a)	Scoured and Carbonized Wool.	Yarn.(b)		Woven Cloth.(b)				Blankets.	Hosiery.	
			Cotton.	Wool.	Cotton. (c)	Wool. (d)	Rayon.	Synthetic Fibre.		Men's. (e)	Womens— Full Length.
	'000 bales.	Million lb.	'000 lb.	'000 lb.	'000 sq. yds.	'000 sq. yds.	'000 sq. yds.	'000 sq. yds.	'000.	'000 doz. pairs.	'000 doz. pairs.
<b>Monthly Average—</b>											
1953-54 ..	317.0	11.4	3,175	3,829	2,678	2,919	1,840	..	100	158	179
1954-55 ..	327.2	11.4	3,458	3,557	2,753	2,589	1,348	14	128	139	202
1955-56 ..	354.6	12.1	3,379	3,601	3,222	2,523	1,439	164	138	130	192
1956-57 ..	405.6	13.8	3,498	3,975	3,856	2,732	2,025	256	140	121	214
1957-58 ..	362.7	12.8	3,720	3,801	3,695	2,643	1,924	313	155	123	185
1958-59 ..	394.6	13.2	3,544	3,381	3,524	2,272	1,476	516	142	109	205
1959-60 ..	410.5	14.6	3,868	4,213	3,594	2,520	1,484	616	161	130	212
1960-61 ..	392.9	12.8	3,407	4,039	3,641	2,205	1,729	837	159	113	218
1961-62 ..	399.9	13.6	3,565	p3,860	3,690	2,079	1,709	1,136	141	118	235
1962-63 p ..	391.1	13.7	3,898	4,327	3,964	2,334	1,987	1,517	153	135	285
<b>Monthly Total—</b>											
<b>1961-62—</b>				p							
July ..	310.9	12.4	2,673	2,853	3,200	1,546	1,496	739	126	91	188
August ..	601.2	12.4	3,107	3,535	3,105	1,974	1,732	939	141	120	221
September ..	924.9	11.9	3,105	3,418	3,279	2,104	1,706	931	116	125	245
October ..	903.7	13.6	3,462	3,733	3,704	2,160	1,649	922	134	131	261
November ..	570.9	15.5	3,973	4,108	4,045	2,415	1,777	1,109	137	144	258
December ..	243.1	12.6	2,925	2,957	2,885	1,779	1,509	816	88	93	192
January ..	126.0	12.4	3,160	3,299	3,424	1,803	1,305	875	94	72	178
February ..	182.4	13.8	3,732	4,343	3,919	2,389	1,650	1,206	150	114	228
March ..	292.7	14.4	3,962	4,632	4,004	2,486	1,784	1,367	169	132	258
April ..	262.5	12.4	3,674	3,879	3,797	1,931	1,696	1,325	147	111	216
May ..	222.0	16.3	4,699	5,051	4,344	2,313	2,060	1,625	211	145	291
June ..	158.3	15.4	4,303	4,506	4,578	2,037	2,143	1,780	175	139	280
<b>1962-63 p—</b>											
July ..	348.3	13.8	4,676	4,572	5,020	2,219	1,859	1,565	142	153	301
August ..	574.9	13.0	4,514	4,624	4,511	2,417	1,958	1,697	139	170	319
September ..	794.5	11.7	4,305	4,204	4,310	2,248	1,965	1,725	148	163	298
October ..	846.9	14.6	4,650	5,043	4,666	3,003	2,145	1,696	180	174	331
November ..	589.9	14.0	3,974	4,729	4,035	2,751	2,258	1,458	153	147	294
December ..	228.3	11.5	3,031	3,453	2,890	2,022	1,708	1,070	99	101	222
January ..	130.1	13.2	2,842	3,504	2,917	2,099	1,676	959	101	79	206
February ..	206.7	14.1	3,451	4,279	3,419	2,584	1,918	1,240	145	124	273
March ..	289.1	14.3	3,519	4,356	3,616	2,571	1,928	1,462	159	130	283
April ..	283.4	13.0	3,578	4,339	4,019	2,223	1,935	1,545	174	120	265
May ..	218.3	16.0	4,068	4,665	4,084	2,130	2,256	1,940	213	145	325
June ..	182.4	14.0	4,168	4,150	4,091	1,739	2,241	1,846	185	118	307
<b>1963-64 p—</b>											
July ..	348.5	14.7	4,589	4,212	4,320	2,040	2,068	1,718	188	149	343
August ..	591.5		4,284	4,075	4,210	2,007	2,336	1,809			

(a) First hand receipts as recorded by the National Council of Wool Selling Brokers.  
the fibre named.

(c) Excludes towels and towelling.

(d) Excludes blanketing and rug material.

(b) Includes mixtures predominantly  
(e) Includes boys' prior to

# PRODUCTION OF CLOTHING (continued) AND MISCELLANEOUS PRODUCTS

Period.	Men's and Youths'—			Shirts, Men's and Boys'.	Underwear.		Boots, Shoes and Sandals (not Rubber). (b)	Mat- tresses, Inner Spring.	Lawn Mowers. Petrol.	Motor Spirit. (c)	Plastics and Synthetic Resins. (d)	News- print.
	Short Length Coats and Jackets.		Sports Trou- sers.		Men's, Youths', and Boys'.	Women's Maids' and Girls'.						
	Suit.(a)	Other.(a)										
	'000.	'000.	'000.	'000 doz.	'000 doz.	'000 doz.	'000 pairs.	'000.	No.	Million gals.	'000 cwt.	Tons.
Monthly												
Average—												
1953-54 ..	62.0	70.0	204.0	103	121	224	1,706	34.9	821	15.2	37.7	5,034
1954-55 ..	61.0	70.0	204.0	118	120	235	1,657	39.7	2,452	34.0	44.7	6,134
1955-56 ..	63.1	67.2	223.4	109	130	234	1,651	41.8	6,563	49.8	55.6	6,585
1956-57 ..	59.8	66.9	213.4	119	140	244	1,745	42.3	13,438	68.1	71.3	6,633
1957-58 ..	60.6	63.3	216.0	128	151	238	1,782	47.4	12,271	74.1	75.0	6,757
1958-59 ..	p60.7	p62.2	p226.2	135	154	248	2,005	48.4	20,747	77.9	72.8	6,923
1959-60 ..	p64.7	p75.7	p271.7	153	157	265	2,136	51.6	20,560	88.4	99.1	7,376
1960-61 ..	p66.8	p70.2	p302.7	152	160	281	2,026	49.5	16,608	95.8	87.8	7,336
1961-62 ..	68.7	58.9	309.4	137	172	280	2,101	52.9	16,881	101.3	111.7	7,480
1962-63 p ..	75.8	58.3	338.8	162	176	291	2,202	53.7	18,246	105.3	137.4	7,520
Monthly												
Total—												
1960-61—	p	p	p									
June ..	61.6	46.1	236.5	130	121	254	1,803	43.5	1,400	91.1	67.6	7,619
1961-62—												
July ..	62.2	43.8	250.1	132	138	259	2,004	47.6	5,603	97.0	84.1	7,831
August ..	74.0	56.0	330.1	164	164	303	2,411	53.5	12,635	109.9	100.8	7,917
September ..	73.0	56.6	348.3	156	167	286	2,301	49.1	25,745	98.5	98.1	7,708
October ..	75.7	67.5	359.4	164	186	332	2,492	57.0	43,722	107.9	99.7	7,878
November ..	79.1	70.2	400.5	171	202	328	2,615	59.8	38,375	101.2	114.4	7,592
December ..	63.3	54.5	301.7	117	150	249	1,671	54.7	18,077	106.0	104.6	5,655
January ..	39.4	31.3	201.3	82	124	206	1,416	44.5	15,998	101.2	102.8	7,464
February ..	69.8	61.4	287.5	126	181	287	1,941	55.0	19,495	84.8	122.3	6,887
March ..	75.8	68.6	325.1	122	194	277	2,122	57.6	12,170	94.5	130.3	7,830
April ..	67.6	64.8	259.9	108	150	235	1,821	49.9	4,441	101.9	123.5	7,492
May ..	79.6	70.5	344.6	155	214	303	2,358	57.9	3,802	112.1	126.1	7,924
June ..	65.3	61.5	304.7	153	199	291	2,062	49.2	2,514	100.2	133.2	7,580
1962-63 p—												
July ..	79.0	52.8	325.9	169	203	316	2,375	51.6	7,641	102.8	124.9	7,594
August ..	84.7	47.6	402.1	196	218	328	2,816	56.6	15,916	96.9	135.2	7,548
September ..	77.0	51.4	371.5	179	184	315	2,481	50.5	29,966	107.4	153.0	7,191
October ..	88.9	58.4	442.8	202	195	341	2,679	58.1	36,166	106.1	150.0	7,914
November ..	94.5	55.8	435.9	193	207	305	2,434	58.8	39,911	106.3	147.2	7,474
December ..	71.1	44.9	319.0	133	165	263	1,595	53.4	22,475	104.5	122.1	5,868
January ..	42.7	34.7	203.7	91	128	191	1,524	43.7	19,205	115.1	114.6	7,524
February ..	72.2	61.6	304.0	145	162	286	1,937	57.3	21,606	98.9	141.8	7,392
March ..	77.8	71.5	327.1	145	155	274	2,134	54.8	11,041	99.2	144.2	8,113
April ..	75.2	64.6	292.1	153	148	272	1,997	52.2	6,525	118.9	129.9	7,844
May ..	76.9	77.4	354.5	179	185	307	2,410	59.0	4,149	92.7	150.6	7,958
June ..	69.8	67.5	287.1	165	160	294	2,040	47.7	3,693	115.1	135.5	7,825
1963-64 p—												
July ..	86.1	73.0	348.2	209	193	357	2,653	56.8	8,780	123.3	174.2	7,952
August ..												8,010

(a) Excludes plastic coats and dust coats. (b) Includes Infants' Soft Soled Nursery, prior to July, 1956. (c) Source: Department of National Development. (d) Liquid resin or emulsion form are shown in terms of dry weight of resin content.

# INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTION INDEXES: VARIOUS COUNTRIES

Unless otherwise stated, the indexes shown below include mining, manufacturing, electricity and manufactured gas but exclude construction. When the indexes are adjusted for differences in the number of working days per month or for seasonal variations they are footnoted accordingly.

Source: *Monthly Bulletin of Statistics* of the Statistical Office of the United Nations.

(Base: 1958 = 100.)

Period.	Belgium. (a)	Canada. (a)	France. (a)	Germany West. (a)	Italy.	Japan.	Nether- lands.	Norway. (a)	Sweden. (a) (b)	United King- dom. (a) (c)	U.S.A. (a)
1955 .. ..	100	92	80	85	84	69	93	91	92	99	103
1956 .. ..	106	100	88	92	90	86	98	95	96	99	107
1957 .. ..	106	101	96	97	96	99	100	100	98	101	107
1958 .. ..	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>
1959 .. ..	104	108	101	107	111	124	109	106	106	105	113
1960 .. ..	111	108	110	119	128	156	124	117	114	112	116
1961 .. ..	116	112	116	126	r142	186	126	125	118	114	117
1962 .. ..	122	121	123	132	156	201	130	130	120	115	126
1961—											
January .. ..	84	104	n.a.	119	132	161	124	118	n.a.	112	110
February .. ..	118	108	n.a.	122	130	175	115	124	n.a.	117	111
March .. ..	121	107	n.a.	126	147	194	135	122	n.a.	118	112
April .. ..	121	108	n.a.	130	134	177	122	126	n.a.	115	115
May .. ..	123	111	n.a.	130	146	182	127	115	n.a.	114	116
June .. ..	122	116	n.a.	127	138	185	131	131	n.a.	118	119
July .. ..	101	109	106	118	148	187	118	85	n.a.	111	114
August .. ..	112	112	85	115	116	186	120	126	n.a.	96	120
September .. ..	118	118	115	128	151	189	124	135	n.a.	117	121
October .. ..	122	119	123	132	156	195	135	136	126	118	125
November .. ..	125	120	123	139	154	195	132	144	131	119	124
December .. ..	119	112	126	133	148	204	118	125	126	112	122
1962—											
January .. ..	118	113	124	122	154	191	128	128	124	111	121
February .. ..	122	118	126	127	148	202	120	136	125	118	124
March .. ..	121	118	127	126	162	220	134	138	125	121	126
April .. ..	124	117	127	135	150	202	124	122	128	114	126
May .. ..	125	122	129	135	164	204	138	128	126	120	126
June .. ..	124	126	127	136	148	202	131	135	122	117	128
July .. ..	109	118	113	123	162	198	125	89	63	109	122
August .. ..	119	119	88	122	127	195	128	131	118	100	126
September .. ..	126	126	123	137	157	199	128	140	124	120	r131
October .. ..	127	126	130	139	170	199	147	144	126	121	131
November .. ..	132	126	134	149	168	198	139	145	130	121	129
December .. ..	124	118	133	139	160	204	120	127	128	111	125
1963—											
January .. ..	119	119	129	124	r167	189	130	130	r125	108	126
February .. ..	122	124	129	126	152	207	124	144	r128	116	129
March .. ..	r127	r124	121	134	r171	223	134	144	127	122	131
April .. ..	136	123	132	r140	r170	212	134	127	131	116	131
May .. ..		128	136	139	r178	r214	r144	135	128	122	133
June .. ..			137	144	166	214	130	145			r136
July .. ..											129

(a) Adjusted for number of working days.

(b) Excludes electricity and manufactured gas.

(c) Includes construction.

# MOTOR VEHICLE REGISTRATIONS

(Excluding Defence Service Vehicles.)

Period.	Motor Vehicles on Register at end of period.(a)			New Motor Vehicles Registered during period.(b)		
	Motor Cars.(c)	Commercial Vehicles, etc.(c)	Motor Cycles.	Motor Cars and Station Wagons.	Other Motor Vehicles.	Motor Cycles
	'000.	'000.	'000.	Monthly Averages.		
1953-54 .. ..	1,195	612	141	(d) 10,297	(e) 4,687	892
1954-55 .. ..	1,342	655	133	(d) 13,581	(e) 5,580	939
1955-56 .. ..	1,467	683	126	13,472	5,625	868
1956-57 .. ..	1,564	707	120	12,271	4,831	800
1957-58 .. ..	1,676	735	116	13,847	5,148	869
1958-59 .. ..	1,783	766	111	14,693	5,528	836
1959-60 .. ..	1,924	807	102	18,671	5,757	807
1960-61 .. ..	2,065	843	93	18,595	4,931	656
1961-62 .. ..	2,185	869	85	17,994	4,343	443
1962-63 .. ..	2,343	904	77	23,744	5,005	454
				Monthly Totals		
1961-62—						
July .. ..	2,069	842	92	13,620	3,751	401
August .. ..	2,080	843	91	16,096	3,924	427
September .. ..	2,082	844	90	15,735	3,790	384
October .. ..	2,095	842	90	17,848	4,362	433
November .. ..	2,105	846	89	18,383	4,413	401
December .. ..	2,117	849	89	16,575	3,975	407
January .. ..	2,127	851	88	15,759	3,775	468
February .. ..	2,137	858	88	17,988	4,240	529
March .. ..	2,148	861	88	21,212	5,077	530
April .. ..	2,158	862	87	17,665	4,428	447
May .. ..	2,173	866	86	21,908	5,465	154
June .. ..	2,185	868	85	23,137	4,921	423
1962-63—						
July .. ..	2,203	871	84	23,703	5,168	465
August .. ..	2,216	873	83	25,624	4,874	407
September .. ..	2,228	875	83	23,317	4,177	408
October .. ..	2,243	878	82	26,547	5,123	426
November .. ..	2,267	885	82	27,086	5,122	432
December .. ..	2,278	889	81	22,843	4,087	414
January .. ..	2,290	889	80	21,926	3,761	501
February .. ..	2,296	889	80	22,381	4,266	530
March .. ..	2,309	894	80	23,564	6,138	588
April .. ..	2,326	899	79	21,612	5,583	423
May .. ..	2,336	902	78	24,336	6,446	536
June .. ..	2,343	904	77	21,987	5,312	315
1963-64 —						
July .. ..	2,365	907	76	29,675	5,223	378
August .. ..				27,860	5,510	325

(a) Prior to January, 1956, Department of Navy vehicles were included. (b) This series is not strictly comparable with the "on Register" series. (c) Registration in Victoria is according to purpose of use and not type of vehicle; consequently motor car registrations are overstated by the inclusion of commercial vehicles registered for private use. (d) Includes ambulances and hearses. (e) Excludes ambulances and hearses.



# GOVERNMENT RAILWAYS: OPERATIONS AND REVENUE

Period.	Revenue Train-miles.	Goods and Livestock.		Passenger- journeys.	Earnings.	
		Tons Carried.	Net Ton- miles.(a)		Gross.	Net.
	'000.	'000.	Million.	'000.	£'000.	£'000.
<b>Monthly Average—</b>						
1952-53 .. ..	7,394	3,666	547.8	41,468	12,903	—560
1953-54 .. ..	7,789	3,899	579.4	42,557	14,155	140
1954-55 .. ..	7,896	3,975	608.0	43,071	14,498	126
1955-56 .. ..	8,020	3,898	606.1	42,895	14,762	—646
1956-57 .. ..	7,924	3,956	619.8	41,543	15,608	—419
1957-58 .. ..	7,524	3,771	565.4	39,702	14,845	—691
1958-59 .. ..	7,607	4,003	607.8	38,916	15,345	—67
1959-60 .. ..	7,722	4,264	664.5	38,392	16,180	6
1960-61 .. ..	7,752	4,614	729.4	37,072	17,352	657
1961-62 .. ..	7,715	4,630	732.2	36,943	17,290	437
<b>Monthly Total—(b)</b>		(c)				
1960-61—						
April .. ..	7,333	4,093	682.9	35,551	15,885	129
May .. ..	8,239	5,117	802.2	42,326	18,556	392
June .. ..	7,868	4,699	723.2	36,840	17,743	—2,982
1961-62—						
July .. ..	7,962	4,827	746.3	42,477	17,609	2,146
August .. ..	8,200	5,061	770.7	36,348	18,192	1,137
September ..	7,834	4,749	730.7	41,581	17,834	1,025
October .. ..	7,820	4,835	727.5	39,574	17,580	834
November ..	7,658	4,824	707.0	35,104	16,940	—338
December ..	7,357	3,994	613.7	34,280	15,561	—756
January .. ..	7,494	3,950	648.6	37,882	16,318	144
February ..	7,327	4,519	753.8	41,672	16,877	1,556
March .. ..	7,835	4,740	791.3	37,502	17,411	918
April .. ..	7,355	4,127	691.1	36,939	16,352	586
May .. ..	8,242	5,022	833.7	39,775	18,753	1,240
June .. ..	7,866	4,581	768.6	38,268	18,379	—1,110
1962-63—						
July .. ..	7,984	4,895	788.6	43,067	18,031	2,407
August .. ..	8,009	4,978	778.1	36,616	18,059	1,442
September ..	7,568	4,395	710.1	41,038	17,074	1,131
October .. ..	8,037	4,937	787.3	39,100	18,478	1,972
November ..	7,856	4,615	743.4	36,078	17,478	53
December ..	7,540	4,047	663.4	34,711	16,389	45
January .. ..	7,629	4,402	731.9	37,567	17,593	1,968
February ..	7,262	4,552	773.5	41,768	17,208	1,860
March .. ..	7,815	4,644	803.4	37,825	17,600	1,286
April .. ..	7,475	4,351	765.2	37,922	17,303	1,220
May .. ..	8,246	4,987	850.8	40,449	18,921	1,017

(a) Partly estimated. Excludes South Brisbane-Border section of Uniform Gauge Railway. (b) Prepared from monthly railway returns and not strictly comparable with annual figures above, which include certain details not available on a monthly basis and which exclude government grants from Net Earnings. (c) Excludes South Brisbane-Border Section of Uniform Gauge Railway.

NOTE.—Minus sign (—) denotes loss.

# SHIPPING CARGOES

NOTE.—Part of the cargo is recorded in tons weight and part in tons measurement. As the total cannot be stated accurately as either tons weight or tons measurement, each is recorded and published separately. "1 ton measurement" equals 40 cubic feet.

Period.				Oversea Cargo.				Interstate Cargo Shipped.	
				Shipped from Australian Ports.		Discharged at Australian Ports.			
				'000 tons weight.	'000 tons measurement.	'000 tons weight.	'000 tons measurement.	'000 tons weight.	'000 tons measurement.
Monthly Average—									
1953-54	..	..	..	479	113	711	234	758	128
1954-55	..	..	..	507	118	916	284	851	123
1955-56	..	..	..	555	129	1,036	285	969	111
1956-57	..	..	..	728	115	1,050	229	992	107
1957-58	..	..	..	614	124	1,143	243	1,051	96
1958-59	..	..	..	720	122	1,186	222	1,030	88
1959-60	..	..	..	843	123	1,288	272	1,076	113
1960-61	..	..	..	1,146	129	1,439	317	1,143	123
1961-62	..	..	..	1,433	128	1,459	230	1,138	99
1962-63	..	..	..	1,280	129	1,625	283	1,195	92
Monthly Total—									
1960-61—									
June	..	..	..	1,400	169	1,522	222	1,226	100
1961-62—									
July	..	..	..	1,419	113	1,368	196	1,163	90
August	..	..	..	1,404	95	1,553	222	1,097	106
September	..	..	..	1,597	129	1,658	204	1,175	97
October	..	..	..	1,368	104	1,405	248	1,190	104
November	..	..	..	1,549	126	1,521	217	1,157	113
December	..	..	..	1,484	113	1,451	206	1,075	106
January	..	..	..	1,345	59	1,332	236	1,130	88
February	..	..	..	1,263	96	1,352	203	930	102
March	..	..	..	1,339	159	1,390	253	1,268	102
April	..	..	..	1,436	184	1,353	248	1,080	73
May	..	..	..	1,580	197	1,861	259	1,293	113
June	..	..	..	1,417	155	1,265	270	1,095	88
1962-63—									
July	..	..	..	1,243	89	1,582	318	1,141	94
August	..	..	..	1,167	136	1,573	325	1,182	113
September	..	..	..	1,021	127	1,342	266	1,144	108
October	..	..	..	1,029	126	1,926	347	1,206	104
November	..	..	..	1,222	126	1,456	277	1,242	97
December	..	..	..	1,233	83	1,640	239	1,184	58
January	..	..	..	1,240	96	1,785	303	1,226	86
February	..	..	..	1,552	109	1,406	223	1,088	87
March	..	..	..	1,205	130	1,783	248	1,242	92
April	..	..	..	1,440	157	1,731	297	1,091	79
May	..	..	..	1,657	210	1,639	279	1,289	86
June	..	..	..	1,353	155	1,633	275	1,301	97
1963-64—									
July p	..	..	..	1,639	144	1,711	350	1,288	89

# POST OFFICE ACTIVITY

Period.	Receipts of P.M.G.'s Department. (a)	Broadcast Listeners' Licences.		Television Viewers' Licences.		Telephone Services.	
		New Issues.	In force at End of Period.	New Issues.	In force at End of Period.	Lines Con- nected at End of Period.	Effective Applications. (b)
	£'000. (c)	'000. (c)	'000.	'000. (c)	'000.	'000.	(c)
1953-54 .. .. .	5,650	15	2,042	..	..	1,050	10,624
1954-55 .. .. .	6,069	13	2,035	..	..	1,127	12,492
1955-56 .. .. .	6,612	13	2,089	..	..	1,207	13,734
1956-57 .. .. .	7,506	14	2,107	(d) 11	(d) 74	1,279	9,923
1957-58 .. .. .	8,065	15	2,138	19	291	1,362	11,400
1958-59 .. .. .	8,622	21	2,264	25	578	1,443	13,398
1959-60 .. .. .	10,136	13	2,283	34	955	1,514	14,056
1960-61 .. .. .	11,343	13	2,256	27	1,217	(e) 1,631	14,113
1961-62 .. .. .	11,651	11	2,220	24	1,424	(e) 1,718	17,084
1962-63 .. .. .	12,557	15	2,240	24	1,655	1,812	22,458
1961-62—	(f)	(f)		(f)		(e)	(f)
July .. .. .	10,477	12	2,240	26	1,229	1,637	14,550
August .. .. .	11,776	12	2,233	27	1,251	1,645	15,902
September .. .. .	11,159	11	2,218	25	1,263	1,651	14,093
October .. .. .	11,876	13	2,222	27	1,285	1,659	15,668
November .. .. .	11,516	11	2,233	19	1,299	1,666	15,095
December .. .. .	11,364	8	2,237	19	1,310	1,672	11,617
January .. .. .	11,506	9	2,240	22	1,329	1,677	15,258
February .. .. .	11,650	10	2,232	21	1,338	1,684	18,048
March .. .. .	12,633	11	2,235	(g) 22	1,356	1,691	21,528
April .. .. .	10,484	8	2,225	19	1,388	1,698	17,434
May .. .. .	12,634	12	2,221	28	1,399	1,708	22,635
June .. .. .	12,739	13	2,220	34	1,424	1,718	23,182
1962-63—							
July .. .. .	11,741	13	2,223	29	1,461	1,727	24,086
August .. .. .	12,351	14	2,221	30	1,487	1,736	24,009
September .. .. .	10,754	14	2,220	27	1,508	1,745	20,537
October .. .. .	13,720	14	2,228	27	1,534	1,755	23,176
November .. .. .	12,547	13	2,229	23	1,548	1,764	21,349
December .. .. .	12,170	9	2,225	16	1,560	1,771	16,167
January .. .. .	13,143	21	2,244	25	1,581	1,775	21,548
February .. .. .	11,797	23	2,251	28	1,603	1,782	23,905
March .. .. .	12,324	15	2,249	22	1,616	1,790	23,796
April .. .. .	12,385	11	2,261	18	1,635	1,797	22,290
May .. .. .	13,760	16	2,258	26	1,655	1,804	25,984
June .. .. .	13,997	12	2,240	22	1,655	1,812	22,652
1963-64—							
July .. .. .	13,954	23	2,268	32	1,695	1,822	28,981
August .. .. .	13,366	23	2,268	31	1,714	1,832	26,629

(a) Actual collections. (b) Net demand for new telephone services (i.e., excluding withdrawals of applications).  
(c) Monthly average. (d) Licences were first issued in December, 1956, but did not come into force until 1st January, 1957.  
(e) Details of exchange lines are no longer available. As from July, 1960, telephone services, representing exchange lines plus half the duplex lines are shown. (f) Monthly total. (g) From March, 1962, excludes short-term hirers' licences which were previously included.

# RESERVE BANK OF AUSTRALIA(a)

## CENTRAL BANKING BUSINESS (INCLUDING NOTE ISSUE DEPARTMENT)

(£A million.)

Period.	Central Banking Business (including Note Issue Department).										
	Notes on Issue.			Statutory Reserve Deposit Accounts of Trading Banks. (b)	Other Deposits of Trading Banks.	Deposits of Savings Banks.	Other Liabilities (excluding Capital and Reserves).	Gold and Balances held Abroad.	Commonwealth Government Securities Redeemable in Australia.		Other Securities.
	Held by Banks.	Held by Public.	Total.						Treasury Bills and Treasury Notes.(c)	Other.	
Average of Weekly Figures—											
1957-58 ..	45.7	343.9	389.6	328.3	25.6	218.4		461.7	125.6	293.4	59.6
1958-59 ..	47.2	348.8	396.0	259.9	24.2	232.9		411.5	139.2	278.8	51.1
1959-60 ..	52.1	361.5	413.6	280.8	19.6	246.4		442.2	196.5	232.4	46.3
1960-61 ..	57.5	370.2	427.7	294.4	18.5	138.3	130.1	365.7	223.6	303.9	43.7
1961-62 ..	59.4	368.1	427.5	217.7	31.5	151.0	182.0	492.1	190.1	235.8	39.8
1962-63 ..	63.3	375.0	438.3	212.3	59.5	178.2	128.6	514.1	154.4	257.5	37.6
1961-62—											
July ..	55.5	362.2	417.7	219.4	27.4	139.5	199.0	471.9	126.7	303.7	39.7
August ..	55.4	364.9	420.3	213.5	17.5	141.8	204.8	483.8	157.7	272.2	40.2
September ..	56.5	367.3	423.8	214.0	22.3	145.3	199.2	490.5	184.5	258.2	40.2
October ..	58.5	366.5	425.0	215.9	19.0	152.1	197.8	492.7	216.2	238.2	40.3
November ..	56.8	368.0	424.8	220.2	19.6	151.6	201.2	491.6	250.4	218.7	40.3
December(d) ..	65.7	382.4	448.1	223.3	16.2	148.3	196.6	499.7	270.2	211.6	40.3
January ..	63.3	370.1	433.4	227.6	25.7	153.3	196.9	510.4	227.2	205.8	40.3
February ..	61.2	364.1	425.3	231.5	19.9	153.0	201.8	514.7	187.3	194.2	40.3
March ..	58.8	366.2	425.0	235.4	18.9	156.1	184.9	506.5	189.5	193.3	39.9
April(d) ..	59.4	372.9	432.3	224.4	33.6	157.1	123.6	461.6	171.5	210.9	39.7
May ..	62.7	368.8	431.5	198.4	75.4	154.8	132.7	483.8	154.2	251.1	38.6
June ..	61.1	368.2	429.3	195.0	75.5	160.9	131.9	491.9	154.2	257.6	38.1
1962-63—											
July ..	58.9	367.6	426.5	192.4	74.4	162.1	122.6	502.3	148.7	256.1	38.1
August ..	59.4	371.0	430.4	191.8	70.9	162.8	124.8	503.9	158.6	264.0	37.9
September ..	59.0	373.8	432.8	191.8	68.2	169.7	119.7	495.0	172.7	276.6	37.6
October ..	61.1	374.4	435.5	195.8	67.3	178.3	119.9	492.7	199.1	268.6	37.6
November ..	59.9	376.1	436.0	213.9	61.0	188.2	123.3	507.9	230.3	253.6	37.6
December(d) ..	70.1	387.8	457.9	215.8	61.6	183.7	126.7	507.4	255.6	253.2	37.5
January ..	69.9	379.4	449.3	219.8	66.6	178.4	127.1	507.8	212.5	250.1	37.3
February ..	63.8	372.4	436.2	223.8	54.6	181.0	135.3	515.0	136.3	234.7	37.3
March ..	64.7	374.5	439.2	227.0	51.7	184.9	133.3	516.7	122.7	235.1	37.5
April ..	63.1	383.1	446.2	228.5	49.4	182.7	140.9	533.0	97.7	259.7	37.7
May ..	65.1	373.0	438.1	227.1	46.0	184.9	135.8	543.7	71.5	268.6	37.6
June ..	64.7	371.0	435.7	223.6	39.9	185.5	134.7	544.2	66.2	264.1	37.2
1963-64—											
July ..	62.6	368.8	431.4	211.1	52.0	189.4	128.0	549.6	79.3	267.8	37.1
August ..	63.3	371.9	435.2	209.3	48.1	195.8	130.6	558.8	98.2	269.6	37.1

(a) Prior to 14th January, 1960, the Commonwealth Bank of Australia. (b) Prior to 14th January, 1960, Special Accounts of Trading Banks. (c) Figures for periods prior to July, 1962, relate to Treasury Bills and Seasonal Securities, the latter Securities being replaced by Treasury Notes. (d) Return for fourth Wednesday not available.

**RESERVE BANK OF AUSTRALIA(a)**  
**RURAL CREDITS DEPARTMENT: ADVANCES**  
 (£ million.)

Period.					Advances.	Period.					Advances.
<b>Average of Weekly Figures—</b>						<b>Average of Weekly Figures—</b>					
1953-54 .. .. .					43.2	1961-62—					
1954-55 .. .. .					62.3	March .. .. .					101.4
1955-56 .. .. .					73.8	April(b) .. .. .					99.2
1956-57 .. .. .					56.6	May .. .. .					80.9
1957-58 .. .. .					33.7	June .. .. .					63.7
1958-59 .. .. .					46.7	1962-63—					
1959-60 .. .. .					62.6	July .. .. .					51.8
1960-61 .. .. .					72.4	August .. .. .					32.7
1961-62 .. .. .					69.1	September .. .. .					19.0
1962-63 .. .. .					66.7	October .. .. .					14.4
1961-62—						November .. .. .					8.3
July .. .. .					73.5	December(b) .. .. .					10.6
August .. .. .					60.4	January .. .. .					51.3
September .. .. .					49.7	February .. .. .					117.5
October .. .. .					41.7	March .. .. .					135.4
November .. .. .					34.7	April .. .. .					124.8
December(b) .. .. .					33.3	May .. .. .					120.0
January .. .. .					72.3	June .. .. .					112.5
February .. .. .					110.3	1963-64—					
						July .. .. .					86.8
						August .. .. .					70.5

(a) Prior to 14th January, 1960, the Commonwealth Bank of Australia.  
 return for fourth Wednesday.

(b) Bank exempted from furnishing a

**COMMONWEALTH DEVELOPMENT BANK OF AUSTRALIA(a):**  
**ADVANCES**  
 (£ million.)

Period.					Advances.		Period.					Advances.	
					Hire Purchase.	Other.						Hire Purchase.	Other.
<b>Average of Weekly Figures—</b>							<b>Average of Weekly Figures—</b>						
1953-54 .. .. .					16.6	9.3	1961-62—						
1954-55 .. .. .					17.0	11.6	March .. .. .					19.9	25.9
1955-56 .. .. .					16.6	14.1	April(b) .. .. .					20.0	26.4
1956-57 .. .. .					16.5	14.5	May .. .. .					20.2	27.2
1957-58 .. .. .					16.0	14.9	June .. .. .					20.3	27.6
1958-59 .. .. .					17.4	15.1	1962-63—						
1959-60 .. .. .					17.8	15.9	July .. .. .					20.3	28.0
1960-61 .. .. .					18.9	17.5	August .. .. .					20.3	28.8
1961-62 .. .. .					19.9	24.4	September .. .. .					20.3	29.6
1962-63 .. .. .					20.7	30.9	October .. .. .					20.7	30.2
1961-62—							November .. .. .					21.5	30.8
July .. .. .					18.7	20.7	December(b) .. .. .					21.9	30.8
August .. .. .					19.0	21.5	January .. .. .					21.7	30.8
September .. .. .					19.2	22.3	February .. .. .					20.8	31.3
October .. .. .					19.5	23.0	March .. .. .					20.2	31.8
November .. .. .					20.4	23.9	April .. .. .					20.3	32.3
December(b) .. .. .					21.0	24.2	May .. .. .					20.5	33.0
January .. .. .					20.9	24.8	June .. .. .					20.5	33.0
February .. .. .					20.2	25.3	1963-64—						
							July .. .. .					20.4	33.1
							August .. .. .					20.5	33.7

(a) Prior to 14th January, 1960, Industrial Finance and Mortgage Bank Departments of Commonwealth Bank of Australia.  
 (b) Bank exempted from furnishing a return for fourth Wednesday.

# COMMONWEALTH AND PRIVATE TRADING BANKS(a) (Major Trading Banks)

## LIABILITIES AND ASSETS WITHIN AUSTRALIA

(£ million.)

Period.	Deposits.				Coin, Bullion, and Cash with Reserve Bank.	Commonwealth and State Governments Securities.		Loans to Authorized Dealers in the Short- Term Money Market.	Statutory Reserve Deposit Account with Reserve Bank. (e)	Loans (Other than Loans to Authorized Dealers in the Short-Term Money Market), Advances and Bills Discounted.
	Fixed. (b)	Current.		Total.		Treasury Bills and Treasury Notes. (d)	Other Securities.			
		Bearing Interest. (c)	Not Bearing Interest.							
Average of Weekly Figures—										
1958-59 .. ..	334.9	101.3	1,166.9	1,603.1	69.5	42.4	250.2	..	259.3	929.5
1959-60 .. ..	343.8	115.2	1,248.6	1,707.6	69.5	27.5	297.1	24.3	280.2	952.0
1960-61 .. ..	406.8	102.7	1,219.2	1,728.7	72.3	22.3	228.4	23.6	293.9	1,050.0
1961-62 .. ..	533.8	99.4	1,173.4	1,806.6	71.8	34.5	370.1	30.9	217.3	1,002.2
1962-63 .. ..	596.9	113.6	1,193.7	1,904.2	69.4	34.3	374.4	32.0	211.8	1,060.6
1961-62—										
July .. ..	486.2	104.8	1,110.0	1,701.0	76.3	26.6	261.0	28.1	218.9	1,034.9
August .. ..	502.4	102.2	1,106.0	1,710.6	67.5	27.2	294.2	31.4	213.0	1,014.6
September ..	514.2	101.0	1,113.1	1,728.3	72.2	28.6	330.9	31.1	213.5	1,000.8
October .. ..	525.0	102.6	1,137.9	1,765.5	70.0	31.8	355.3	32.3	215.5	1,007.2
November ..	534.1	94.1	1,162.2	1,790.4	71.2	30.2	372.3	31.2	219.8	999.0
December(f) ..	535.9	91.5	1,196.4	1,823.8	78.4	29.8	378.1	32.3	222.8	991.7
January .. ..	537.1	95.1	1,224.7	1,856.9	82.6	55.7	406.5	33.0	227.2	976.2
February .. ..	551.3	99.0	1,236.4	1,886.7	70.7	67.3	440.3	33.3	231.1	965.2
March .. ..	560.6	95.4	1,239.3	1,895.3	68.1	61.2	451.0	32.7	234.9	971.9
April(f) .. ..	562.6	95.4	1,225.2	1,883.2	63.8	30.6	429.4	31.6	233.9	1,008.8
May .. ..	554.3	103.7	1,184.8	1,842.8	70.3	13.6	381.2	28.2	198.0	1,022.0
June .. ..	551.3	105.3	1,167.6	1,824.2	70.1	12.4	364.4	26.5	194.6	1,031.4
1962-63—										
July .. ..	558.6	114.0	1,150.2	1,822.8	67.9	10.1	352.3	31.2	192.0	1,060.9
August .. ..	570.4	112.9	1,139.0	1,822.3	66.9	14.0	355.8	31.6	191.4	1,052.1
September ..	578.6	111.9	1,136.1	1,826.6	65.5	20.0	359.5	30.3	191.4	1,046.6
October .. ..	581.6	116.2	1,168.7	1,866.5	69.3	22.6	362.9	36.9	195.4	1,051.8
November ..	590.7	107.1	1,177.3	1,875.1	65.9	19.0	366.1	31.4	213.5	1,054.1
December(f) ..	595.0	108.3	1,212.4	1,915.7	79.1	28.2	362.4	31.2	215.3	1,052.1
January .. ..	600.9	113.1	1,237.1	1,951.1	84.5	51.1	377.3	40.1	219.4	1,044.6
February .. ..	615.7	115.1	1,245.6	1,976.4	66.9	68.6	415.5	34.9	223.4	1,040.7
March .. ..	618.1	117.7	1,249.4	1,985.2	65.4	71.9	415.1	31.2	226.6	1,048.1
April .. ..	623.4	113.8	1,230.3	1,967.5	66.4	48.3	389.4	28.0	228.0	1,082.0
May .. ..	619.6	113.2	1,199.1	1,931.9	68.9	33.4	373.4	27.8	226.7	1,091.2
June .. ..	613.8	117.8	1,191.8	1,923.4	65.5	26.6	366.9	26.8	223.2	1,101.2
1963-64—										
July .. ..	623.3	125.4	1,188.8	1,937.5	67.2	31.7	367.8	28.3	210.6	1,108.2
August .. ..	631.1	120.1	1,180.5	1,931.7	64.3	29.6	373.3	33.4	208.9	1,103.6

(a) Commonwealth Trading Bank, Australia and New Zealand Bank Ltd., the Bank of Adelaide, Bank of New South Wales, the Commercial Bank of Australia Ltd., The Commercial Banking Company of Sydney Ltd., The English, Scottish and Australian Bank Ltd., The National Bank of Australasia Ltd.

(b) Prior to February, 1960, fixed deposits—Australian Governments were included in current deposits bearing interest.

(c) See note (b).

(d) Figures for periods prior to July 1962 relate to Treasury Bills and Seasonal Securities, the latter Securities being replaced by Treasury Notes.

(e) Prior to 14th January, 1960, Special Account with Commonwealth Bank.

(f) Banks were exempted from furnishing a return for fourth Wednesday.



# COMMONWEALTH AND PRIVATE TRADING BANKS(a)

## (Major Trading Banks)

### RATIOS OF SELECTED ASSETS AND LIABILITIES TO TOTAL DEPOSITS WITHIN AUSTRALIA

(Per Cent.)

Period.	Percentages of Various Categories of Assets to Total Deposits.					Percentage Non-interest bearing to Total Deposits.
	Cash in Australia.	Cash + Treasury Bills and Treasury Notes.	Cash + Treasury Bills and Treasury Notes + other Commonwealth and State Government Securities.	Statutory Reserve Deposit Account with Reserve Bank.	Loans (Other than Loans to Authorized Dealers in the Short-Term Money Market), Advances and Bills Discounted.	
Average of Weekly Figures—						
1958-59 .. ..	4.3	7.0	22.6	16.2	58.0	72.8
1959-60 .. ..	4.1	5.7	23.1	16.4	55.8	73.1
1960-61 .. ..	4.2	5.5	18.7	17.0	60.7	70.5
1961-62 .. ..	4.0	5.9	26.4	12.0	55.5	65.0
1962-63 .. ..	3.6	5.4	25.1	11.1	55.7	62.7
1961-62—						
July .. ..	4.5	6.1	21.4	12.9	60.8	65.2
August .. ..	3.9	5.5	22.7	12.5	59.3	64.7
September .. ..	4.2	5.9	25.0	12.4	57.9	64.4
October .. ..	4.0	5.8	25.9	12.2	57.1	64.5
November .. ..	4.0	5.7	26.5	12.3	55.8	64.9
December(b) .. ..	4.3	6.0	26.7	12.2	54.4	65.6
January .. ..	4.4	7.4	29.3	12.2	52.6	66.0
February .. ..	3.7	7.3	30.6	12.3	51.2	65.5
March .. ..	3.6	6.8	30.6	12.4	51.3	65.4
April(b) .. ..	3.4	5.0	27.8	11.9	53.6	65.1
May .. ..	3.8	4.5	25.2	10.7	55.5	64.3
June .. ..	3.8	4.5	24.5	10.7	56.5	64.0
1962-63—						
July .. ..	3.7	4.3	23.6	10.5	58.2	63.1
August .. ..	3.7	4.5	23.0	10.5	57.7	62.5
September .. ..	3.6	4.7	24.4	10.5	57.3	62.2
October .. ..	3.7	4.9	24.4	10.5	56.4	62.6
November .. ..	3.5	4.5	24.0	11.4	56.2	62.8
December (b) .. ..	4.1	5.6	24.5	11.2	54.9	63.3
January .. ..	4.4	7.0	26.3	11.2	53.5	63.4
February .. ..	3.4	6.9	27.9	11.3	52.7	63.0
March .. ..	3.3	6.9	27.8	11.4	52.8	62.9
April .. ..	3.4	5.8	25.6	11.6	55.0	62.5
May .. ..	3.6	5.3	24.6	11.7	56.5	62.1
June .. ..	3.4	4.8	23.9	11.6	57.2	62.0
1963-64—						
July .. ..	3.5	5.1	24.1	10.9	57.2	61.4
August .. ..	3.3	4.9	24.2	10.8	57.1	61.1

(a) See footnote (a), page 50.

(b) Banks were exempted from furnishing a return for fourth Wednesday.

# COMMONWEALTH AND PRIVATE TRADING BANKS(a)

## (Major Trading Banks)

### NEW AND INCREASED LENDING COMMITMENTS AND OVERDRAFT LIMITS

(£ million.)

New and Increased Lending Commitments.(b)						Overdraft Limits.(c)								
For Period ending Second Wednesday of—						Weekly Average.				At Second Wednesday of—(d)				Total Outstanding
						Aggre- gate.	Term Loan Com- ponent.							
1961—						1960—								
August	..	..	..	7.5	..	July	..	..	..	..	1,682.4			
September	..	..	..	8.4	..	October	..	..	..	..	1,688.2			
October	..	..	..	9.4	..	1961—								
November	..	..	..	11.1	..	January	..	..	..	..	1,623.6			
December	..	..	..	11.5	..	April	..	..	..	..	1,564.9			
1962—						July	..	..	..	..	1,571.5			
January	..	..	..	8.6	..	September	..	..	..	..	1,586.7			
February	..	..	..	9.4	..	October	..	..	..	..	1,605.5			
March	..	..	..	12.5	..	November	..	..	..	..	1,620.0			
April	..	..	..	12.9	..	December	..	..	..	..	1,646.8			
May	..	..	..	10.2	n.a.	1962—								
June	..	..	..	9.5	n.a.	January	..	..	..	..	1,651.4			
July	..	..	..	10.2	0.8	February	..	..	..	..	1,665.2			
August	..	..	..	11.3	0.5	March	..	..	..	..	1,682.5			
September	..	..	..	9.9	1.0	April	..	..	..	..	1,701.1			
October	..	..	..	9.9	1.0	May	..	..	..	..	1,713.7			
November	..	..	..	10.8	0.7	June	..	..	..	..	1,721.9			
December	..	..	..	11.6	1.0	July	..	..	..	..	1,732.8			
1963—						August	..	..	..	..	1,744.3			
January	..	..	..	8.4	0.7	September	..	..	..	..	1,752.1			
February	..	..	..	9.3	1.0	October	..	..	..	..	1,752.9			
March	..	..	..	13.2	1.8	November	..	..	..	..	1,766.5			
April	..	..	..	13.7	1.8	December	..	..	..	..	1,770.9			
May	..	..	..	10.0	0.4	1963—								
June	..	..	..	11.2	0.6	January	..	..	..	..	1,762.7			
July	..	..	..	13.6	1.0	February	..	..	..	..	1,767.3			
August	..	..	..	10.8	1.0	March	..	..	..	..	1,783.2			
						April	..	..	..	..	1,793.6			
						May	..	..	..	..	1,798.0			
						June	..	..	..	..	1,811.7			
						July	..	..	..	..	1,823.7			
						August	..	..	..	..	1,835.1			

**ALL CHEQUE-PAYING BANKS(a)**  
**LIABILITIES AND ASSETS WITHIN AUSTRALIA**  
(£ million.)

Period.	Deposits.				Coin, Bullion, Notes and Cash with Reserve Bank.	Commonwealth and State Governments Securities.		Loans to Authorized Dealers in the Short- Term Money Market.	Statutory Reserve Deposit Account with Reserve Bank. (e)	Loans* (Other than Loans to Authorized Dealers in the Short-Term Money Market). Advances and Bills Discounted.
	Fixed. (b)	Current.		Total.		Treasury Bills and Treasury Notes. (d)	Other Securities.			
		Bearing Interest. (c)	Not Bearing Interest.							
Average of Weekly Figures—										
1958-59 .. ..	345.1	115.8	1,207.0	1,667.9	73.2	43.3	264.6	..	259.9	1,015.3
1959-60 .. ..	354.1	132.8	1,293.5	1,780.4	72.4	28.3	314.0	30.7	280.8	1,040.6
1960-61 .. ..	421.2	123.4	1,264.9	1,809.5	75.1	23.1	247.2	30.6	294.4	1,144.5
1961-62 .. ..	555.4	120.7	1,220.5	1,896.6	77.4	34.9	392.1	33.3	217.7	1,108.1
1962-63 .. ..	627.8	133.3	1,245.0	2,006.1	74.8	36.1	396.9	34.2	212.3	1,182.6
1961-62—										
July .. ..	504.2	128.8	1,153.4	1,786.4	80.2	26.9	283.2	32.0	219.4	1,134.8
August .. ..	521.1	125.3	1,149.2	1,795.6	70.5	27.5	317.6	34.7	213.5	1,114.9
September ..	533.6	123.1	1,156.4	1,813.1	75.9	29.2	352.0	33.2	214.0	1,103.9
October .. ..	545.0	124.1	1,182.3	1,851.4	73.7	32.8	374.2	35.7	215.9	1,112.4
November ..	554.4	114.9	1,207.6	1,876.9	75.0	31.1	391.4	33.5	220.2	1,105.9
December(f) ..	556.6	111.9	1,242.3	1,910.8	82.3	30.2	398.3	33.8	223.3	1,098.9
January .. ..	558.6	115.9	1,275.8	1,950.3	88.6	56.2	430.3	35.6	227.6	1,082.3
February .. ..	574.4	118.3	1,287.9	1,980.6	77.5	67.8	464.6	34.9	231.5	1,070.8
March .. ..	584.2	115.5	1,290.4	1,990.1	75.9	61.5	474.5	34.7	235.4	1,079.1
April(f) .. ..	586.2	117.1	1,275.5	1,978.8	72.0	30.5	452.5	34.2	224.4	1,116.9
May .. ..	578.6	126.1	1,232.9	1,937.6	79.1	13.6	403.3	29.6	198.4	1,132.8
June .. ..	577.7	125.0	1,215.7	1,918.4	77.2	12.4	385.9	27.9	195.0	1,143.4
1962-63—										
July .. ..	586.6	133.6	1,197.6	1,917.8	74.6	10.1	373.7	32.8	192.5	1,175.6
August .. ..	599.0	132.1	1,185.7	1,916.8	73.3	14.0	367.5	33.1	191.8	1,168.5
September ..	607.4	130.8	1,183.7	1,921.9	71.6	20.0	379.6	32.0	191.8	1,164.6
October .. ..	610.9	135.0	1,217.4	1,963.3	73.7	23.8	382.6	38.5	195.8	1,172.8
November ..	620.4	126.2	1,225.0	1,971.6	70.1	20.4	385.7	33.0	213.9	1,176.0
December(f) ..	625.1	127.0	1,260.8	2,012.9	83.4	29.4	381.9	32.6	215.8	1,174.1
January .. ..	631.4	132.3	1,291.0	2,054.7	89.8	53.6	398.7	43.1	219.8	1,167.0
February .. ..	647.0	134.0	1,303.1	2,084.1	73.3	71.7	440.5	37.8	223.8	1,161.5
March .. ..	650.4	137.1	1,306.0	2,093.5	72.4	75.0	440.8	33.6	227.0	1,170.3
April .. ..	657.2	135.1	1,285.8	2,078.1	72.8	51.5	415.1	30.7	228.7	1,207.8
May .. ..	653.4	134.9	1,252.0	2,040.3	72.9	36.3	398.9	31.1	227.1	1,219.7
June .. ..	647.7	139.7	1,244.8	2,032.2	69.3	29.4	392.3	29.0	223.6	1,232.4
1963-64—										
July .. ..	660.7	147.5	1,240.6	2,048.8	70.3	33.4	392.5	33.5	211.1	1,241.5
August .. ..	670.0	142.5	1,232.5	2,045.0	67.1	30.8	397.4	38.0	209.3	1,239.8

(a) Covers the Commonwealth and Private Trading Banks, and in addition the Bank of China, Bank of New Zealand, The Brisbane Permanent Building and Banking Co. Ltd., Comptoir National d'Escompte de Paris, the General Bank Department of the Rural Bank of New South Wales, the General Banking Department of the State Bank of South Australia, and the Rural Department of the Rural and Industries Bank of Western Australia. (b) See note (b) page 50. (c) See note (c) page 50. (d) See note (d) page 50. (e) See note (e) page 50. (f) Banks were exempted from furnishing a return for fourth Wednesday.

# ALL CHEQUE-PAYING BANKS: DEBITS TO CUSTOMERS' ACCOUNTS(a)

(Excluding Debits to Australian Government Accounts at City Branches)

(£ million.)

Period.	New South Wales.	Victoria.	Queensland.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Northern Territory.	Australian Capital Territory.	Total.
<b>Average of Weekly Figures—</b>									
1953-54 .. ..	171.7	154.9	51.0	32.8	25.4	9.9	0.5	0.8	447.0
1954-55 .. ..	187.5	176.2	53.9	36.3	26.2	10.7	0.5	0.8	492.1
1955-56 .. ..	200.9	185.4	56.0	39.6	26.9	11.6	0.6	1.0	522.0
1956-57 .. ..	219.4	195.5	62.7	42.7	28.6	12.6	0.6	1.2	563.3
1957-58 .. ..	230.4	207.1	65.6	44.3	30.2	12.9	0.7	1.5	592.7
1958-59 .. ..	248.9	224.7	70.3	46.2	30.7	13.8	0.8	2.0	637.4
1959-60 .. ..	296.3	264.6	79.1	53.4	34.9	15.5	0.9	2.7	747.4
1960-61 .. ..	322.5	282.9	81.9	58.0	37.8	16.3	1.0	3.4	803.8
1961-62 .. ..	327.0	295.0	82.2	58.1	40.2	16.0	1.1	4.0	823.6
1962-63 .. ..	356.6	325.3	92.6	65.8	44.1	17.5	1.2	5.1	908.2
<b>1961-62—</b>									
July .. ..	322.2	297.7	85.4	55.6	37.6	16.5	1.1	4.0	820.1
August .. ..	282.8	270.1	74.1	49.7	35.0	14.0	1.1	2.9	729.7
September ..	313.4	284.0	83.0	52.4	37.4	14.5	1.1	3.2	789.0
October .. ..	338.7	292.4	84.5	57.3	39.3	16.2	1.1	3.7	833.2
November ..	331.6	287.9	81.3	56.3	39.0	14.8	1.1	3.6	815.6
December ..	339.8	326.9	84.7	64.1	44.2	16.9	1.1	3.8	881.5
January .. ..	296.9	261.2	75.6	53.1	42.9	13.5	1.0	4.0	748.2
February ..	337.7	309.9	82.9	62.1	43.4	15.2	1.1	3.7	856.0
March .. ..	331.9	291.9	81.7	62.1	43.5	17.6	1.0	4.6	834.3
April .. ..	330.5	295.0	84.7	60.1	38.2	16.3	1.0	4.1	829.9
May .. ..	360.1	319.2	85.0	63.8	42.8	19.8	1.2	4.2	896.1
June .. ..	347.6	314.3	86.4	62.9	39.0	17.9	1.2	6.0	875.3
<b>1962-63—</b>									
July .. ..	368.0	335.1	94.0	66.8	42.1	18.7	1.3	5.2	931.2
August .. ..	323.1	291.2	83.6	58.1	39.4	17.1	1.3	5.1	818.9
September ..	344.2	311.5	90.8	61.9	40.7	16.1	1.4	4.0	870.6
October .. ..	362.1	322.0	95.8	65.0	44.3	17.0	1.4	4.9	912.5
November ..	351.2	313.2	89.5	64.7	43.9	16.5	1.3	4.7	885.0
December ..	374.8	340.3	94.8	70.0	45.1	19.5	1.3	6.5	952.3
January .. ..	335.5	299.6	84.8	59.9	49.5	15.2	1.2	4.5	850.2
February ..	363.7	345.4	96.3	73.1	48.1	17.0	1.2	4.2	949.0
March .. ..	360.1	336.9	93.8	71.8	43.9	19.1	1.1	4.6	931.3
April .. ..	371.5	349.9	99.7	67.5	46.7	18.4	1.2	5.7	960.6
May .. ..	355.6	328.8	90.9	66.9	44.7	18.3	1.2	5.5	911.9
June .. ..	381.2	344.3	100.5	67.5	40.9	18.1	1.2	6.0	959.7
<b>1963-64—</b>									
July .. ..	410.0	365.6	108.5	73.4	44.0	19.2	1.4	5.3	1,027.4
August .. ..	350.9	327.2	97.0	62.4	42.0	15.9	1.3	5.0	901.7

(a) Averages of four or five weeks ended on last Wednesday. Includes in addition to the banks included in series on page 53, the Rural Credits Department of the Reserve Bank and the Commonwealth Development Bank (prior to 14th January, 1960 the Industrial Finance and Mortgage Bank Departments of the Commonwealth Bank).

# SAVINGS BANKS: DEPOSITORS' BALANCES

(£ million.)

At end of—	New South Wales.	Victoria.	Queensland.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Northern Territory.	Australian Capital Territory.	Australia.
June, 1959	488.3	458.4	166.7	157.1	71.5	42.5	2.2	4.6	1,391.3
„ 1960	541.6	499.6	182.6	166.0	78.6	46.4	2.5	5.4	a 1,522.7
„ 1961	569.2	517.5	187.1	166.8	80.7	47.4	2.7	6.1	a 1,577.5
„ 1962	625.0	570.9	205.9	181.0	90.5	51.2	3.1	7.3	a 1,734.9
„ 1963	704.0	649.0	235.2	208.1	104.4	56.4	3.5	9.2	a 1,969.8
1962-63—									
July ..	630.5	577.4	210.0	183.5	92.2	51.7	3.2	7.6	1,756.1
August	641.3	588.3	214.6	186.4	94.2	53.1	3.3	7.8	1,789.0
Sept. ..	646.6	595.1	217.5	187.9	95.3	53.5	3.4	7.9	1,807.2
Oct. ..	657.4	604.0	221.4	190.9	97.1	53.8	3.5	8.2	1,836.3
Nov. ..	662.0	609.2	223.2	192.6	98.0	54.1	3.5	8.3	1,850.9
Dec. ..	663.3	610.5	223.3	192.5	97.6	53.8	3.4	8.2	1,852.6
January	668.5	613.8	222.7	194.8	98.0	54.0	3.4	8.5	1,863.7
February	674.3	619.8	224.2	198.0	99.4	54.6	3.3	8.7	1,882.3
March ..	675.5	622.3	224.1	199.2	99.6	55.0	3.3	8.7	1,887.7
April ..	678.5	624.7	225.1	199.3	100.3	55.3	3.3	9.0	1,895.5
May ..	687.8	633.3	228.2	201.1	101.8	55.6	3.4	9.0	1,920.2
June ..	704.0	649.0	235.2	208.1	104.4	56.4	3.5	9.2	a 1,969.8
1963-64—									
July ..	713.4	660.3	241.7	211.3	106.7	57.6	3.6	9.7	2,004.3
August	719.5	667.5	244.4	213.0	107.9	58.5	3.7	9.8	2,024.3

(a) Interest added 1960-61, £44.7 m; 1961-62, £52.7 m; 1962-63, £58.4 m. The major part of this interest was added in June.

## SAVINGS BANKS: SELECTED ASSETS WITHIN AUSTRALIA(a)

(£ million.)

At end of—	Coin, Bullion and Australian Notes.	Deposits with Reserve Bank.	Deposits with Trading Banks.	Commonwealth and States' Securities.(b)	Local and Semi-Governmental Authorities' Securities.	Loans to Authorized Dealers in the Short-term Money Market.	Loans, Advances and Bills Discounted.	
							Housing.	Other.
June, 1959	3.3	122.0	53.7	740.1	248.9	..	261.0	
„ 1960	2.9	133.3	54.9	793.8	285.3	1.7	277.3	23.5
„ 1961	4.3	135.7	47.4	789.3	312.2	7.6	312.1	26.7
„ 1962	4.9	154.6	60.8	832.6	352.7	13.8	345.7	28.6
„ 1963	4.7	178.4	64.2	913.6	418.5	19.5	404.0	32.7
1962-63—								
July ..	5.0	154.2	60.6	843.7	359.5	16.1	348.3	28.9
August ..	4.1	161.0	63.3	854.8	370.9	16.0	351.7	29.4
Sept. ..	4.8	165.6	60.3	866.8	377.9	14.3	355.0	29.8
October ..	4.7	177.0	61.8	874.7	386.6	18.6	358.7	29.9
Nov. ..	4.1	183.0	60.9	879.8	393.1	16.1	363.0	30.5
Dec. ..	6.0	171.8	61.4	884.3	397.9	15.6	369.9	30.8
January	4.6	173.4	58.5	893.1	403.2	13.1	371.6	31.1
February	4.6	174.1	61.8	900.3	407.1	16.7	375.3	31.7
March ..	4.5	180.4	58.5	904.7	410.7	13.8	380.2	32.5
April ..	5.0	177.3	61.8	910.7	413.6	14.0	385.1	32.3
May ..	4.7	179.1	62.0	916.0	416.2	15.1	391.7	33.1
June ..	4.7	178.4	64.2	913.6	418.5	19.5	404.0	32.7
1963-64—								
July ..	4.8	189.5	63.8	927.4	426.6	14.8	404.4	39.9
August ..	4.4	188.6	64.5	932.4	433.3	17.4	411.6	40.7

(a) Includes assets in Papua, New Guinea and Norfolk Island  
See note (d) page 50.

(b) Includes Treasury Bills and Treasury Notes

# SHORT-TERM MONEY MARKET

(Selected Assets and Liabilities of Authorized Dealers and Rates of Interest on Loans.)

Month.	Liabilities to Clients.			Holdings of Commonwealth Government Securities (at par value.)	Interest Rates on Loans accepted During Month.				Weighted Average Interest Rate on Loans Outstanding. (a)
	All Cheque-Paying Banks.	Other Clients.	Total.		At Call.		For Fixed Periods.		
					Minimum per cent. per annum.	Maximum per cent. per annum.	Minimum per cent. per annum.	Maximum per cent. per annum.	
1959—June ..	28.3	19.8	48.1	50.4	2.94	3.13	3.00	3.50	3.11
1960 ..	27.2	52.7	79.9	82.3	2.75	3.50	3.00	3.50	3.25
1961 ..	34.4	62.7	97.1	100.4	2.50	4.88	3.50	4.83	4.17
1962 ..	27.9	88.5	116.4	121.2	2.00	4.00	3.00	3.88	3.45
1963 ..	29.0	104.5	133.5	143.4	2.00	4.25	3.13	4.25	3.75
1961-62—June ..	27.9	88.5	116.4	121.2	2.00	4.00	3.00	3.88	3.45
1962-63—July ..	32.8	84.6	117.4	121.3	2.00	3.81	2.75	3.75	3.34
Aug. ..	33.1	82.2	115.3	120.0	2.00	4.13	3.38	4.13	5.59
Sept. ..	32.0	82.7	114.7	119.6	2.00	4.25	3.38	4.31	3.70
Oct. ..	38.5	86.4	124.9	129.9	2.00	4.13	3.50	4.00	3.49
Nov. ..	33.0	96.5	129.5	135.1	2.00	4.00	3.25	3.94	3.50
Dec.(b) ..	32.6	92.1	124.7	132.4	2.00	4.31	3.00	4.25	3.69
Jan. ..	43.1	86.7	129.8	135.2	2.00	4.00	3.25	4.00	3.23
Feb. ..	37.8	87.5	125.3	134.4	2.00	4.25	3.13	4.13	3.57
March ..	33.6	90.3	123.9	131.4	2.00	4.75	2.50	4.50	3.50
April ..	31.4	90.9	122.3	132.7	2.00	4.00	3.31	4.00	3.59
May ..	31.1	97.3	128.4	135.2	2.00	4.06	3.13	4.00	3.54
June ..	29.0	104.5	133.5	143.4	2.00	4.25	3.13	4.25	3.75
1962-63—July ..	33.5	104.8	138.3	144.8	2.00	4.00	3.00	4.00	3.31

(a) As at last Wednesday.

(b) Excludes one Wednesday.

(Source: Reserve Bank.)

## NEW CAPITAL RAISINGS BY COMPANIES IN AUSTRALIA

The following statistics show the net amount of cash transferred from the investing public to companies in Australia through the types of capital specified. For this purpose the "investing public" includes banks and life assurance companies (except when subscribing to issues by associated companies) and superannuation funds. The statistics do not include changes in bank overdrafts, loans to authorized dealers in the short-term money market, or deposits accepted by banks, insurance companies, pastoral companies or building societies.

## NEW MONEY RAISED BY COMPANIES IN AUSTRALIA (£ million.)

Period.	Companies listed on Stock Exchanges.			Companies not listed on Stock Exchanges.			Grand Total.
	Share Capital.	Debentures, Registered Notes and Deposits.	Total.	Share Capital.	Secured Loans. (a)	Total.	
Quarterly Average—							
1957-58 .. ..	8.8	20.4	29.2	5.2	1.1	6.3	35.5
1958-59 .. ..	12.2	35.5	47.7	4.5	3.1	7.6	55.3
1959-60 .. ..	12.0	50.1	62.1	8.9	2.9	11.8	73.9
1960-61 .. ..	24.6	30.1	54.7	8.1	2.3	10.4	65.1
1961-62 .. ..	19.1	24.9	44.0	6.9	1.7	8.6	52.6
Quarterly Total—							
1960-61—June Qtr.	25.3	2.5	27.8	9.6	2.7	12.3	40.1
1961-62—Sept. „	26.0	29.6	55.6	6.4	1.2	7.6	63.2
Dec. „	17.6	26.6	44.2	5.9	2.2	8.1	52.3
March „	17.7	12.2	29.9	5.5	2.0	7.5	37.4
June „	15.0	31.5	46.5	9.6	1.5	11.1	57.6
1962-63—Sept. „	13.9	26.7	40.6	5.8	2.2	8.0	48.6
Dec. „	15.8	37.1	52.9	p5.2	p1.9	p7.1	p60.0
March „ p	12.6	16.2	28.8				
June „ p			31				

(a) Secured over entire assets of borrowing company.



# LIFE INSURANCE BUSINESS(a)

Period.	New Policies Issued (excluding Annuities).(b)						Premiums.(c)			Claims, etc., Paid.(d)			New Loans Paid Over. (e)
	Ordinary Business.		Industrial Business.		Superannuation Business.		Ordinary.	Indus-trial.	Super-annua-tion.	Ordinary.	Indus-trial.	Super-annua-tion.	
	Num-ber.	Sum Insured.	Num-ber.	Sum Insured.	Num-ber.	Sum Insured.							
Monthly Average—	'000.	£m.	'000.	£m.	'000.	£m.	£m.	£m.	£m.	£m.	£m.	£m.	£m.
1953-54 .. ..	23.7	21.2	20.0	2.7	..	..	4.7	1.2	..	1.8	0.7	..	2.9
1954-55 .. ..	23.5	24.4	18.4	2.7	..	..	5.2	1.2	..	2.0	0.7	..	4.3
1955-56 .. ..	24.8	27.9	17.6	2.7	..	..	5.8	1.2	..	2.3	0.8	..	4.7
1956-57 .. ..	24.3	32.7	17.5	2.8	..	..	6.5	1.2	..	2.5	0.8	..	5.0
1957-58 .. ..	25.0	37.6	17.4	2.8	..	..	7.3	1.3	..	2.8	0.9	..	4.9
1958-59 .. ..	26.3	43.4	16.0	2.7	..	..	8.0	1.3	..	3.1	0.9	..	6.1
1959-60 .. ..	33.6	57.6	15.8	2.8	..	..	8.9	1.3	..	3.4	0.9	..	6.2
1960-61 .. ..	27.7	49.5	15.1	3.6	(f)7.6	(f)17.6	9.7	1.3	..	4.3	1.1	..	7.1
1961-62 .. ..	26.5	51.5	13.8	3.9	6.3	19.7	(g)11.1	1.3	..	(g)4.6	1.1	..	5.1
1962-63 .. ..	26.1	52.8	12.0	4.4	6.7	20.8	8.6	1.3	3.3	3.7	1.1	1.3	5.5
Monthly Total—													
1960-61—													
June .. ..	30.7	55.1	16.7	4.3	5.4	13.5	12.4	1.3	..	5.5	1.3	..	5.6
1961-62—July	30.1	52.9	18.5	4.4	4.8	12.6	11.0	1.3	..	5.3	1.4	..	7.0
August .. ..	29.1	51.3	18.6	4.3	6.3	17.1	10.3	1.5	..	4.7	1.5	..	5.2
September(b)	31.6	58.4	15.9	4.4	11.5	32.3	13.4	1.4	..	5.0	1.3	..	6.0
October .. ..	25.6	48.6	14.4	3.6	6.1	13.6	10.0	1.3	..	4.0	1.3	..	4.7
November ..	27.1	50.8	14.8	4.0	6.4	13.5	10.0	1.5	..	4.0	1.3	..	4.4
December(b)	27.1	69.9	11.3	3.8	7.9	62.6	12.1	1.8	..	4.8	0.9	..	4.9
January .. ..	16.5	31.3	5.2	1.1	5.6	11.5	7.1	0.6	(f)2.6	2.7	0.8	(f)0.9	3.2
February ..	20.9	37.8	12.4	3.3	4.4	9.6	6.9	1.2	2.3	3.1	1.0	1.0	4.0
March .. ..	27.9	55.1	15.1	5.0	5.7	15.2	7.7	1.5	3.0	3.2	1.2	1.6	5.1
April .. ..	23.9	47.8	13.7	4.3	5.8	12.6	7.0	1.3	3.7	2.9	1.0	0.8	4.4
May .. ..	27.5	51.4	11.6	3.8	5.3	15.4	8.8	1.3	2.7	3.6	1.1	1.2	6.1
June .. ..	31.2	61.6	13.9	4.9	5.7	20.9	10.2	1.3	3.8	4.1	1.1	1.5	6.0
1962-63—July	30.3	60.6	18.0	5.8	6.0	21.0	9.8	1.4	2.8	3.9	1.2	1.8	6.3
August .. ..	27.8	57.6	15.0	5.2	7.1	21.2	8.4	1.4	3.0	3.6	1.2	1.1	5.1
September(b)	32.3	60.9	13.1	4.6	8.0	30.0	8.0	1.3	3.6	3.4	1.0	1.3	4.9
October .. ..	25.4	52.9	14.2	4.8	5.8	14.8	8.5	1.5	2.6	3.7	1.2	1.3	6.2
November ..	25.8	50.2	14.9	5.5	8.0	22.4	8.0	1.4	2.9	3.6	1.2	1.2	4.5
December(b)	26.1	64.8	8.7	3.7	8.0	47.7	8.1	1.8	4.1	3.5	0.9	1.4	6.4
January .. ..	16.5	33.2	4.2	1.5	4.7	7.2	7.8	0.4	3.0	3.1	0.8	1.1	3.5
February ..	19.8	38.5	11.0	3.8	6.4	14.6	7.2	1.3	2.5	3.4	1.2	1.1	4.4
March .. ..	26.4	50.0	10.9	4.2	5.0	16.6	8.5	1.5	3.5	3.7	1.1	1.5	5.9
April .. ..	24.4	47.9	12.3	4.6	7.5	15.3	8.3	1.4	3.8	4.5	1.0	1.0	5.8
May .. ..	28.8	56.8	11.1	4.7	7.3	19.5	9.9	1.4	3.9	4.2	1.0	1.3	6.8
June .. ..	29.5	60.2	10.2	4.3	6.5	19.1	10.6	1.3	4.2	4.2	1.0	1.6	5.8
1963-64—July	32.5	67.5	11.4	4.6	6.6	28.8	11.1	1.4	3.6	4.4	1.1	1.4	6.1

(a) Excludes business of the Government Insurance Office of New South Wales and the Queensland State Government Insurance Office, which operate only in New South Wales and Queensland respectively. Monthly averages for the years 1937 to 1947 are based on annual returns for the financial years of the companies. From 1947-48 the figures have been compiled from monthly returns. (b) Relates to periods during which policies were recorded in company registers, which may be subsequent to periods in which written. Recordings tend to concentrate more in the last month of a company's year; months mainly affected are September and December. (c) Includes consideration for annuities. (d) Includes claims paid on death or maturity, payments made on surrender of policies, annuities and bonuses paid in cash. (e) Excludes advances of premiums. (f) Figures for earlier periods not available separately; included with Ordinary Business. (g) Includes superannuation. Separate details of superannuation, which are available for the latter six months of 1961-62, are given below.

# INTERNATIONAL RESERVES, EXCHANGE RATES, GOLD PRICES, SECURITY YIELDS, PRIVATE FIRST MORTGAGES

Period.	Inter- national Reserves. (a)	Exchange Rates.(b)			Gold Prices.(h)		Commonwealth Govern- ment Securities.		Private First Mortgages Registered in New South Wales. (Revised Series). (f)
		Australia on London.(c)	London on New York. (c)	Australia on New York. (d)	Australia.	London.	Theoretical 2 years.(e)	Theoretical 15 years.(e)	
	£m.	£A. per £100Stg.	\$ per £Stg.	\$ per £A.	£A. per fine oz.	£Stg. per fine oz.	Per cent.	Per cent.	Per cent. (g) (h)
1958-59 .. ..	516.4	125.25	2.809	2.235	15.625	12.496	4.16	4.94	7.4
1959-60 .. ..	512.0	125.25	2.805	2.233	15.625	12.511	4.01	4.91	8.3
1960-61 .. ..	550.8	125.25	2.804	2.232	15.625	12.589	5.06	5.21	8.7
1961-62 .. ..	561.2	125.25	2.810	2.236	15.625	12.505	4.45	5.06	8.8
1962-63 .. ..	626.1	125.25	2.802	2.230	15.625	12.526	4.08	4.80	8.9
									(i)
1961-62—									
July .. ..	574.6	125.25	2.787	2.218	15.625	12.598	4.93	5.34	8.7
August .. ..	571.1	125.25	2.803	2.231	15.625	12.546	4.60	5.35	8.7
September ..	573.4	125.25	2.812	2.238	15.625	12.515	4.59	5.33	8.7
October .. ..	578.0	125.25	2.815	2.241	15.625	12.501	4.46	5.13	8.7
November ..	587.0	125.25	2.815	2.240	15.625	12.500	4.38	4.99	8.8
December ..	601.7	125.25	2.810	2.236	15.625	12.508	4.36	4.98	8.8
January .. ..	596.1	125.25	2.811	2.237	15.625	12.510	4.35	4.94	8.9
February ..	607.7	125.25	2.815	2.240	15.625	12.480	4.39	4.94	8.8
March .. ..	537.6	125.25	2.815	2.241	15.625	12.463	4.39	4.95	8.8
April .. ..	550.3	125.25	2.814	2.240	15.625	12.465	4.38	4.93	8.8
May .. ..	565.5	125.25	2.812	2.238	15.625	12.473	4.31	4.93	8.9
June .. ..	561.2	125.25	2.809	2.232	15.625	12.500	4.30	4.93	9.1
1962-63—									
July .. ..	574.9	125.25	2.807	2.234	15.625	12.513	4.30	4.90	9.1
August .. ..	565.8	125.25	2.804	2.232	15.625	12.526	4.26	4.91	9.1
September ..	560.5	125.25	2.801	2.229	15.625	12.541	4.25	4.94	9.1
October .. ..	570.9	125.25	2.802	2.230	15.625	12.543	4.20	4.90	9.1
November ..	585.7	125.25	2.802	2.230	15.625	12.524	4.14	4.86	9.1
December ..	586.1	125.25	2.803	2.231	15.625	12.512	4.13	4.88	9.1
January .. ..	587.4	125.25	2.805	2.232	15.625	12.500	4.11	4.86	9.0
February ..	597.5	125.25	2.803	2.231	15.625	12.512	4.09	4.86	8.9
March .. ..	590.8	125.25	2.801	2.229	15.625	12.533	4.04	4.84	8.7
April .. ..	612.2	125.25	2.801	2.229	15.625	12.530	3.88	4.65	8.7
May .. ..	615.2	125.25	2.800	2.228	15.625	12.528	3.78	4.54	8.7
June .. ..	626.1	125.25	2.800	2.229	15.625	12.527	3.75	4.50	8.7
1963-64—									
July .. ..	634.2	125.25	2.809	2.229	15.625	12.526	3.75	4.49	8.6
August .. ..	645.0	125.25	2.800	2.228	15.625	12.535	3.73	4.49	8.6

(a) Source: Reserve Bank. Net Gold and Foreign Exchange Holdings (Official and Banking Institutions). See page 22, Reserve Bank of Australia Statistical Bulletin, Financial Supplement, September, 1960, for a description of this series. Annual and December figures as at end of period, other figures last Wednesday of month. (b) Average of daily quotations. (c) Average of buying and selling rates for telegraphic transfers. (d) Selling rate. Direct quotation. (e) Source: Reserve Bank. Yields are to last date of redemption. Income tax rebate of 2s. in the pound has not been taken into account. Prior to July, 1959, rates applied to securities maturing in 2 and 12 years, estimated from rates on securities maturing in 0-5 and 10 or more years, respectively. Figures relate to last Wednesday in month. Since July, 1959, theoretical 2-year and theoretical 15-year securities. Average for the week is centred on last Wednesday of the month. (f) From 1956-57, includes all mortgages for corporations (other than banks and building societies) and individuals, except completely abnormal amounts of £1 m. or more in months in which large mortgages are few in number. Certain other refinements previously incorporated in the series have now been excluded in order to indicate current trends more accurately. Figures prior to 1956-57 have not been adjusted, but the variation between the adjusted and unadjusted series in these earlier years is negligible. (g) Weighted average twelve months. (h) Rural and urban securities. (i) Average rate on mortgages registered in three months ending with month shown.

# INTEREST RATES

(Per Cent. per Annum.)

Date of Change in Rate.	Trading Banks—						Common-wealth Savings Bank Deposits (Maximum Rate)	Common-wealth Loans (Long Term).
	Fixed Deposits—				Overdrafts (Maximum Rate).			
	3 months.	6 months.	12months.	24months.	Common-wealth Trading Bank.(a)	Private Trading Banks.		
1947—1st January .. ..	0.50	0.75	1.00	(b)1.50	4.25	4.50	2.00	3.125
1949—1st May .. ..	0.50	0.75	1.00	(b)1.50	4.25	4.50	2.00	3.125
1951—21st August .. ..	0.50	0.75	1.00	(b)1.50	4.25	4.50	2.00	3.750
1952—29th July .. ..	1.00	1.25	1.50	(c)1.75	4.75	5.00	2.25	3.750
25th November .. ..	1.00	1.25	1.50	(c)1.75	4.75	5.00	2.25	4.500
1955—1st January .. ..	1.25	1.50	1.75	2.00	4.75	5.00	2.50	4.500
1956—15th March .. ..	2.25	2.50	2.75	3.00	4.75	5.00	2.50	4.500
1st April .. ..	2.25	2.50	2.75	3.00	(d)6.00	(d)6.00	2.75	4.500
10th May .. ..	2.25	2.50	2.75	3.00	(d)6.00	(d)6.00	2.75	5.000
4th December .. ..	2.25	2.50	2.75	3.50	(d)6.00	(d)6.00	2.75	5.000
1958—1st November .. ..	2.25	2.50	2.75	3.50	(d)6.00	(d)6.00	3.00	5.000
1960—17th November .. ..	4.00		4.50	(e)	(f)7.00	(f)7.00	3.00	5.000
1961—1st January .. ..	4.00		4.50	(e)	(f)7.00	(f)7.00	3.25	5.000
22nd February .. ..	4.00		4.50	(e)	(f)7.00	(f)7.00	3.25	5.375
1st July .. ..	4.00		4.25	(e)	(f)7.00	(f)7.00	3.50	5.375
1962—7th February .. ..	4.00		4.25	(e)	(f)7.00	(f)7.00	3.50	5.000
13th April .. ..	3.75		4.00	(e)	7.00	7.00	3.50	5.000
1963—1st April .. ..	3.25		3.50	(e)	6.50	6.50	3.50	5.000
1st May .. ..	3.25		3.50	(e)	6.50	6.50	3.00	5.000
23rd July .. ..	3.25		3.50	(e)	6.50	6.50	3.00	4.500

(a) Prior to 3rd December, 1953, General Banking Division of the Commonwealth Bank. (b) 1 per cent. on amount in excess of £10,000. (c) 1.50 per cent. on amounts in excess of £10,000. (d) Average rate on all advances not to exceed 5½ per cent. (e) From 17th November, 1960 to 10th September, 1962 banks did not accept fixed deposits for periods longer than 12 months. From 10th September, 1962 banks were permitted to accept fixed deposits for periods up to 15 months. (f) Average rate on all advances not to exceed 6 per cent.

## COMMONWEALTH GOVERNMENT SHORT-TERM DEBT AND BANK BALANCES

(£ million.)

Date.	Treasury Bills.	Treasury Notes.	Bank Balances.	Total.	Date.	Treasury Bills.	Treasury Notes.	Bank Balances.	Total.
30th June—					1961—62—				
1954 ..	190.0	..	7.5	182.5	31st Mar.	213.0	(a) 86.1	(b) 17.0	316.1
1955 ..	160.0	..	7.0	153.0	30th Apr.	190.0	(a) 30.7	(b) 15.3	236.0
1956 ..	165.0	..	8.8	156.2	31st May	174.0	(a) 19.4	(b) 30.1	223.5
1957 ..	150.0	..	10.8	139.2	30th June	208.0	..	9.4	198.6
1958 ..	140.0	..	11.1	128.9	1962—63—				
1959 ..	171.0	..	12.5	158.5	31st July	168.0	18.7	(b) 19.0	205.7
1960 ..	201.0	..	13.6	187.4	31st Aug.	179.0	44.9	(b) 23.7	247.6
1961 ..	186.0	..	14.4	171.6	30th Sept.	187.0	60.0	(b) 16.8	263.8
1962 ..	208.0	..	9.4	198.6	31st Oct.	225.0	59.9	(b) 24.4	309.3
1963 ..	123.0	69.5	10.0	182.5	30th Nov.	264.0	66.4	(b) 16.2	346.6
					31st Dec.	265.0	71.0	(b) 22.2	358.2
1961—62—					31st Jan.	189.0	136.0	(b) 17.8	342.8
31st July	180.0	..	(b) 21.3	201.3	28th Feb.	113.0	142.8	(b) 24.5	280.3
31st Aug.	206.0	..	(b) 22.1	228.1	31st Mar.	142.0	142.9	(b) 17.7	302.6
30th Sept.	236.0	(a) 25.1	(b) 16.0	277.1	30th Apr.	91.0	104.1	(b) 24.0	219.1
31st Oct.	268.0	(a) 40.2	(b) 14.6	322.8	31st May	101.0	85.9	(b) 21.8	208.7
30th Nov.	285.0	(a) 48.2	(b) 19.9	353.1	30th June	123.0	69.5	10.0	182.5
31st Dec.	303.0	(a) 49.4	(b) 14.4	366.8	1963—64—				
31st Jan.	248.0	(a) 95.9	(b) 15.0	358.9	31st July	95.0	61.3	(b) 27.9	184.2
28th Feb.	216.0	(a) 82.0	(b) 14.3	312.3	31st Aug.	142.0	76.0	(b) 12.5	230.5

(a) Seasonal Securities. (b) Overdraft.

# COMMONWEALTH AND STATE FINANCE(a)

## CONSOLIDATED REVENUE FUNDS

(£ million.)

Period.	New South Wales.(a)	Victoria.	Queensland.	South Australia.	Western Australia	Tasmania.	Six States.	Commonwealth.	Grand Total.(b)
REVENUE.									
1958-59 .. ..	239.8	151.2	99.0	68.0	60.1	21.9	640.0	1,296.1	1,682.9
1959-60 .. ..	262.5	168.3	103.1	76.1	64.4	24.3	698.7	1,438.3	1,857.3
1960-61 .. ..	282.4	185.1	108.8	82.0	69.3	27.8	755.4	1,638.3	2,085.3
1961-62 .. ..	295.6	196.3	117.3	89.1	74.9	31.3	804.5	1,641.5	2,102.6
1962-63 p ..	313.4	207.1	123.5	93.7	78.6	31.7	848.0	1,685.4	2,186.6
1963-64 (Estimate)		218.2	125.4	98.8	83.1	34.0		1,837.2	
1961-62—									
July .. ..	21.5	12.0	7.7	6.4	5.5	1.6	54.7	98.4	129.7
July-August ..	43.1	25.1	15.7	12.5	11.5	3.1	111.0	188.1	252.5
July-June ..	295.6	196.3	117.3	89.1	74.9	31.3	804.5	1,641.5	2,102.6
1962-63—									
July .. ..	22.9	12.2	7.9	6.2	5.8	1.7	56.7	95.6	128.6
July-August ..	45.4	26.1	17.5	12.9	11.6	3.4	116.9	189.8	257.2
July-June p ..	313.4	207.1	123.5	93.7	78.6	31.7	848.0	1,685.4	2,186.6
1963-64—									
July .. ..	26.4		8.4	6.5	6.0	2.0		107.7	
July-August ..	49.0		17.5	12.8	12.2	3.9		207.8	
EXPENDITURE.									
1958-59 .. ..	239.7	153.8	100.2	69.1	61.8	22.7	647.3	1,296.1	1,690.3
1959-60 .. ..	262.4	168.0	103.2	76.4	65.8	25.3	701.1	1,438.3	1,859.8
1960-61 .. ..	282.7	184.9	109.4	80.8	70.5	28.0	756.3	1,638.3	2,086.3
1961-62 .. ..	298.8	196.3	117.2	88.6	75.9	31.6	808.4	1,641.5	2,106.4
1962-63 p ..	313.2	207.1	123.5	93.4	79.3	32.2	848.7	1,685.4	2,187.3
1963-64 (Estimate)		220.6	125.4	99.3	83.8	34.7		1,837.2	
1961-62—									
July .. ..	18.0	11.4	7.2	5.9	6.0	1.5	50.0	120.6	147.3
July-August ..	43.3	28.1	17.4	13.8	12.1	3.8	118.5	246.8	318.7
July-June ..	298.8	196.3	117.2	88.6	75.9	31.6	808.4	1,641.5	2,106.4
1962-63—									
July .. ..	19.9	12.6	8.1	5.9	5.3	1.7	53.5	121.7	151.5
July-August ..	46.4	30.9	18.3	14.4	12.6	5.0	127.6	263.9	342.0
July-June p ..	313.2	207.1	123.5	93.4	79.3	32.2	848.7	1,685.4	2,187.3
1963-64—									
July .. ..	20.4		9.2	6.7	6.0	2.0		146.8	
July-August ..	48.1		20.2	15.8	13.9	5.1		281.7	

(a) Figures for N.S.W. represent combined transactions of Consolidated Revenue Fund and Business Undertakings—Railways, Tramways, Omnibuses and Sydney Harbour Trust Section of Maritime Services Board—included in annual Budget Papers. Adjustments have been made to exclude duplications. (b) To avoid duplication in aggregating particulars for the Commonwealth and States, the grand totals have been adjusted to exclude State payments to the Commonwealth in respect of pay-roll tax and Commonwealth payments to the States included in State Consolidated Revenue Funds in respect of States grants (financial assistance), the interest on State debts, special grants, special financial assistance, grants to universities, tuberculosis capital expenditure and National Welfare Fund payments. There are other relatively minor payments for which adjustments have not been made and the adjusted figures are therefore still slightly overstated.